

not to be protested as he intended or expected to be. The only safety is to do business with responsible parties and good companies.

With your last clause we fully agree and hope now that you have made the discovery you will try to establish a first class agency.

Kuny, Johns & Strohm.
124 North Water street.

Began Work on the Library.
This afternoon the painters began work on the rooms in the Powers block which will be occupied by the library. The ceiling and walls of the place are being painted. The library will move into the new quarters as soon as the improvements are made.

THEY KNOW.

Opinions of Some Chicago Physicians.

The new article now being used in place of coffee has made many friends, and it may interest these friends and others to know the opinion of some of the well known physicians of Chicago on the subject. The following are extracts from a few of their letters, now on file in the office of the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., at Beulah Creek, Mich:

Dr. G. E. Bass, So. Chicago, Ill. "I have tried Postum and was well enough pleased that I would like to use more of it. Kindly inform me where it can be obtained in this locality."

Dr. Almond Brooks, 31 Quincy street, Chicago, Ill. "The test I have made of Postum makes me think I can use it in practice as a substitute for coffee, the use of which is daily prohibited."

Dr. Wm. Robert, Emerald avenue, and 43rd street, Chicago, Ill. "Your Postum I have tried and like it very much."
Dr. Joseph P. Cobb, "The Clinique," 3156 Indiana avenue, Chicago. "Your sample of Postum is received and brewed. It is pleasant, and when a substitute for coffee is desired, will I believe, be of value."

Dr. Archibald Church, attending physician at St. Luke's Hospital; Professor of Nervous Diseases, Chicago Polyclinic & Home for Crippled Children, Pullman Bldg., Chicago, in a letter to the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Beulah Creek, Mich. "I have made a trial of Postum and think it will serve admirably as a substitute for coffee for those who are accustomed to use sugar in their beverage."

There are many more letters of a like character from prominent physicians in all parts of America, expressing their thanks for the help gained and to be gained by their patients in the use of the health coffee, "Postum."

There is but one genuine original Postum Cereal coffee, with a multitude of imitations offered as "just as good."

SENSATIONAL REPORTS.

Alleged Poisoning of Rivera—Weyler Sends Messengers to Gomez.

Jacksonville, Fla., April 7.—Many rumors are rife in Havana concerning the condition of Rivera at San Christobal. One report says that the Cuban prisoner is in a bad way. His wounds are pointing him badly and will not heal. It is reported that he is in a precarious condition.

Another alarming rumor was heard, also, and from a reliable source, stating that as the Spaniards, being now afraid to shoot Rivera, on account of the agitation in the United States and the effect it might have in Europe, have administered a slow poison, the reports about his wounds being given out to make it plausible, if he should die suddenly. The Cuban junta officials and others here are much agitated over these reports, as they fully believe in them, but they can not see their way clear toward preventing the fell designs of the Spaniards. They have sent a trusty courier to San Christobal to closely watch Cubans there in the jail service, and Rivera's condition.

News from Gomez is of a sensational order, too. It is reported as coming direct from him that Weyler sent messengers to ask about peace negotiations, the ambassador, being empowered to arrange for a meeting of Gomez and Weyler. It is stated that Gomez temporarily refused to have anything to do with the matter, saying that it was only another Cuban general, as they could not kill them in honorable warfare.

An officer from Rivera's old army is reported to be responsible for the statement that Rivera was on his way to meet Gomez when he was captured. A spy in his camp gave the Spaniards his plans, and they waylaid him. This sensational news has evoked much comment.

IT IS UNTRUE.

I hereby challenge Kuny, Johns & Strohm to verify their statement that one hundred and fifty insurance companies, authorized to do business in this state, or (represented in this town, as they would make you believe), failed during the year 1896.

I will give them One Hundred Dollars on satisfactory proof.

I do this because their statement in the daily papers is misleading to the public and an injustice to the other insurance agents.

No First Class Companies, authorized to do business in Illinois, failed during the year 1896.

No First Class Insurance Agents in this town have to resort to fraudulent advertising to obtain business.

H. L. OLDHAM, Insurance Agent,
Orlando Powers Building.
Telephone 630.

Bread, Bread.

You can buy your bread for less money than the flour will cost you, provided you get full sixteen ounces per loaf, which you will when you buy the Decatur Cracker Co.'s Blue Label bread. For sale at all grocery stores.

One loaf for 4 cents; three loaves for 10 cents; six loaves for 20 cents; eight loaves for 25 cents.

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MORE REVOLUTION.

Uprising in Another Spanish Province Shows Spain's Inability to Rule.

PORTO RICO RISES IN REVOLT.

The Promised Reforms Prove Delusive and Cause the Rebellion—Prominent Dubuque Citizen Dies—Dr. Leuger Re-elected.

New York, April 8.—The Herald says that the revolution committee has received information to the effect that Porto Rico has taken up arms against Spain, the revolution having started in Yauco and Adjuntas. The revolution though expected, was not anticipated so soon. Porto Rico has a population of 950,000 of whom 70,000 are native Spaniards. The promised reforms in the administration lately put in effect there by Spain it has been found amounts to nothing and apparently precipitated the revolution.

Prominent Dubuque Citizen Dies.
Dubuque, Iowa, April 8.—Frank H. Biele, for fifty years a resident of Dubuque and one of the wealthiest and best known citizens, was stricken with paralysis early this morning and died in two hours.

Leuger Re-elected.
Vienna, April 8.—Dr. Leuger, anti-semitic leader, was again elected burgomaster by three-fourths majority.

PHOEBE COUZINS RECENTS.

Lifelong Suffragist Declares that Women in Public Life Would Never Prove Satisfactory.

St. Louis, April 8.—Phoebe Couzins, brought back from California through the kindness of friends on an invalid's chair, lies on a bed racked with pain, and is stricken with rheumatism that she will probably never rise again.

A visitor asked her what progress, if any, she thought woman suffrage was making. Miss Couzins, who has devoted her energies for the greater part of her life to the cause, replied:

"I sometimes have seen women under fire and as many times I have seen them fall, and that is the only result. I presume the world looked upon as treason, but the revolution is reached from long experience and observation and rare opportunities such as have been accorded to women."

Nevertheless, I look upon the outside life of a woman as a necessity, as in a majority of cases it is simply experimental. It cannot be exclusively for the vast majority of women who prefer the quiet domestic life, with manly nature seeks the conflicts of the outer world and its theories and grows there. Woman in public life will never prove satisfactory. She is naturally a housekeeper. I would advise all young women to marry and become housekeepers."

Miss Couzins attacked the honesty of the World's Fair lady managers and several other B. Anthony and other suffrage leaders.

The Iowa Did Well.
Boston, April 8.—The new United States battleship Iowa, one of the most formidable vessels in the navy, left anchor at Boston Light, six miles down the harbor, yesterday and steamed for Cape Ann, from which point she made an official speed trial over the government department deep water course to Boston Island and return, a distance of sixty-six nautical miles. The contract condition under which the Iowa was built called for a sustained speed of sixteen knots per hour for four hours. Great interest was shown in the trial, not only by naval men but by citizens generally, as in the builders' trial Monday she exceeded seven knots. It was not doubted that she would do better than the specified speed. She exceeded the required standard—the Iowa being 17 1/2 knots. The bonus earned is \$200,000.

Later Day Saints.
Lemont, Iowa, April 8.—The morning after the Latter Day Saints' convention, was devoted to quorum, prayer and preaching services. Sunday school work still occupies a prominent place. Class drill was being the exercises this morning. Song service is also receiving attention. There are now here five quorums of elders and two quorums of seventies. President Smith and Elder Lambert of the Twelve are sick and rarely present.

Recalled.
Rome, April 8.—It is semi-officially announced that Admiral Sanavero has resigned or has been recalled from command of the internal squadron in Cretan waters.

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

Judicial Apportionment Bill Recalled to a Second Reading.

Springfield, Ill., April 8.—Pursuant to a decision of last night's Republican caucus the house this morning recalled the judicial apportionment bill to a second reading and struck out the amendment, adopted last week at the instance of Governor Tanner. The bill was thus left as it came from the senate. An effort will be made to pass it tomorrow. The house refused by an overwhelming vote to suspend the rules and take up the bicycle baggage bill. It is believed there is no chance for the bill. The senate, on motion of Berry and Humphrey, action on the street railway bills which were to have come up on second reading, was postponed until Wednesday.

The two revenue bills prepared by the Chicago real estate board providing for the uniformity and standard assessment of property and for county supervisors of assessment came up as a special order on second reading.

Littler offered as an amendment a unanimous bill repealing the statutes on revenues and making an entirely new system. On Littler's motion the further consideration of revenue bills was postponed until Thursday.

The house spent most of the forenoon considering appropriation bills. Adjourned.

8,000 TONS OF ARMOR PLATE.

The Illinois Steel Company Sends In a Complicated Proposition—Matter Referred to Congress.

Washington, April 8.—The navy department has received only one bid for supplying 8000 tons of armor for the battleships Illinois, Wisconsin and Alabama. This one is so irregular in form as to be far wide of the advertisement. This bid was from the Illinois Steel Co., of Chicago. It proposes to supply the armor desired at \$380 per ton on condition that it be given a twenty-year contract to supply all naval armor. In such case the remainder of the armor to be supplied at \$250 per ton. The armor to be paid for in gold coin. The alternative proposition contemplates the erection of an armor plant by the government and it is to be supplied with steel by the Illinois company. No awards have been made. The whole matter will probably be referred to congress.

ARRANGING FOR RELIEF.

Secretary Alger in Conference Arranging for Prompt Relief Work.

Washington, April 8.—Secretary Alger is pushing forward the relief work for the flood sufferers and within a few days the disbursement of rations, provided for by congress will be in operation. Today the secretary is in consultation with Colonel Gillespie, president of the Mississippi river committee who was summoned here by telegram for the purpose. He and the engineer officers in the flooded districts feel that with the appropriation of a quarter of a million at their disposal they will be able to hold all government's levees intact.

General Wilson, chief of engineers, is receiving reports as to the situation from the engineers along the river. They do not materially differ from the story as told already in the Associated Press dispatches.

MORGAN'S HOT WORDS.

The Flag is a Disgraced Rag if It Did Not Shelter American Citizens.

Washington, April 8.—In the course of his Cuban speech today Senator Morgan of Alabama, denounced Spain's attitude toward Americans and vehemently asserted that if the flag of the United States refused shelter to the American youth like Owen Melton, it was a "disgraced rag." Morgan's Cuban resolution gave away at 2 o'clock to the bankruptcy bill, Nelson, Republican, of Minnesota, spoke on the bankruptcy bill pointing out the harsh features of the Torrey bill and advocating the substitute offered by him.

FLOOD RECEDED AT FARGO.

Many are Destitute and Homeless—Government Extending Aid.

Fargo, N. D., April 8.—The water is receding and the danger point has passed in one of the greatest floods the city has ever known. Hundreds of people are destitute. The relief committee is doing all in its power for them. The secretary of war wired Mayor Johnson, asking the amount needed for immediate relief. Johnson replied with \$10,000.

Flood at Mandan, N. D.

Bismarck, N. D., April 8.—The water in the Missouri river has risen four feet since last night. The water has broken through the dyke at Mandan. At Bismarck this morning it was running into the railroad round house. No trains from any direction.

Ohio Prohibitionists.

Columbus, Ohio, April 8.—The state prohibition convention has nominated a full state ticket, headed by J. O. Holliday of Muskegon, for governor. Economic questions were not mentioned in the platform.

TOLD THE STORY.

Draper Confesses That He is the Murderer of C. L. Hastings.

INTENSE INTEREST AT JACKSONVILLE.

The People of the Quiet City Astounded by the Developments in the Sensational Tragedy—Mystery Cleared Up.

Jacksonville, Ill., April 8.—The great murder mystery is cleared up. Now the people know how C. L. Hastings met his death in Judge Kirby's office and they know that C. L. Draper is the murderer. Draper has made a complete confession, which shows that he did not have murder in his heart when he was surprised in the judge's office. Below is a copy of the confession as given to the public last evening:

Draper's Confession.

To the Rev. Dr. Morey, pastor of State street Presbyterian church—My Dear Sir: As my pastor and spiritual adviser, I desire to make to you, and through you to the coroner of Morgan county, Illinois, a full, true and perfect statement of the facts and circumstances that led to the death of Chas. L. Hastings, on the evening of March 31 last.

In the fall of 1878 I entered the service of Judge Kirby. I became clerk of his abstract office in the city of Jacksonville, Ill., and continued in his service until the last of January, 1896. By my long service in the office I became familiar with the business of the office and the methods of conducting the same.

On the evening of the 31st of March I entered the office of Judge Kirby between 8 and 9 o'clock. When I entered the office there was no one there. I had with me at the time an unlighted lantern, which I lighted after getting in the office. I knew the combination of the vault and went and opened it and took a book therefrom and placed it on a desk next to the vault. I had barely opened the book when I heard a noise at the front door. When I heard footsteps on the stairs I extinguished the light of the lantern.

I started to the front, to the room leading to the closet. When Hastings opened the door that led from the hall to the abstract office I had not been able to reach the door of my intended exit.

Life and Death Struggle.
At this time it was very dark in the room and no object could be seen. As soon as he entered the office he struck a match and light from it enabled him to see me for a moment.

He called me by name and rushed upon me and seized me. I had on my overcoat at the time when he seized hold of me. In the struggle I was thrown down, with his knee upon me. While in this position I took the knife which is now in the possession of the coroner, and began to use it as best I could to free myself from him.

The struggle was altogether in the dark and I could not tell how the knife took effect. To the best of my knowledge the struggle lasted fifteen or twenty minutes.

After the struggle I reentered the book in the vault, looked it and left the room by the front door, with my overcoat still on. After reaching the street I immediately started east to my office and entered the same, and while washing my face Alford Morrison came to the door and said that he had seen blood on my face, and wanted to know if he could do anything for me. I am not able now to recall my exact answer.

I remained in my office for some time; how long I can not state. While there I discovered some blood on my overcoat. When I left the office I started to my home, crossed the street and went down the alley by Widmayer's to Morgan street and from there went to Church street, thence south to College avenue, or what is known as the Strawn lot in the southwest corner of Church street and College avenue.

Blood-Stained Clothing Burned.
It was very dark. I stumbled into what seemed to be a hole, and on leaving threw into said hole the lantern I had used that evening. Unless it has been removed, it will be found there now. From there I went on College avenue to Kosciuszko street and thence to my home.

I entered the house by the front door, leaving my overcoat outside, and then took off my overcoat and placed it on a chair in the dining room. I then went upstairs and found my wife and daughter in bed and asleep. I avoided making a noise, so as not to disturb either of them. I removed all of my clothing and put on a night shirt and went to bed on a lounge, where I usually sleep in the same room with my wife.

I arose about 5:30 in the morning and put on fresh clothing, including shirt, drawers, socks, vest and handkerchief. After discovering in the morning that the clothing I had worn the night before had blood on them I took them, together with the overcoat, downstairs to the furnace room and put them in the furnace, where they were destroyed.

I afterwards discovered blood stains on my pants, coat and hat. I tried to wash these stains out, and in doing so the water went through to the underclothing I had on when I was arrested.

The keys I had to Judge Kirby's office can be found in the furnace room at my house, on the wall next to the cold air duct in the northwest corner of the furnace room.

Any statements made by me at the coroner's inquest or elsewhere are untrue, so far as they conflict with this statement.

I had no right to be in Judge Kirby's office at the time, and I do not seek to justify it in the slightest, and but for my knowledge of this wrongful entering his office without leave I would have told the whole truth at once.

Charles L. Draper.

It appears that Draper, who possessed keys to Judge Kirby's office desired to get a description of a piece of land that he knew to be in one of the books in the safe. He resolved to secure the information, and finding the office unoccupied he entered the place and while in the act of looking for the description Hastings came in. Then came the struggle and the murder in the dark. Much sympathy is expressed for Draper's wife and daughter.

ARBOR DAY.

State Superintendent Ingalls Sends Out a Proclamation.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Ingalls is sending to all public school teachers and superintendents of schools throughout the state his Arbor Day proclamation. Arbor Day has been designated for this year for Tuesday, April 20.

The proclamation of Superintendent Ingalls is the handsomest one ever prepared in the history of the department of public instruction. It consists of a beautifully bound book in four colors, with an elegant outside covering, beautifully illustrated with a woodland scene. The law creating Arbor Day, with the proclamation of Governor Tanner designating the date for 1897, occupy the first portion of the book.

A chapter is devoted to the boys and girls of the state and shows them the benefit of nicely shaded grounds and trees, with the intent of the day celebrated. The teachers, county superintendents and boards of education are all given a chapter regarding the observation of the day.

The book closes with many selections of appropriate poetry to the occasion. Blank reports are in the back of the book upon which teachers are requested to answer the questions propounded regarding trees planted, kinds, etc.

The book is a very excellent one and reflects great credit upon Superintendent Ingalls and his department.

Danger at Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, N. D., April 8.—The Red river rose sixteen inches last night. It has passed the high water mark of '93 and is now rising an inch and a half an hour. The piers of all the bridges are completely covered. When the big gorge above the city comes down it is feared they will be carried away. A number of houses are filled with water to the second story.

No Senator Yet.

Frankfort, Ky., April 8.—In the joint legislative session today the silver Democrats and holding Republicans endeavored to break a quorum but failed, then when the ballot for United States senator was taken the silver men voted for Blackburn and the gold Democrats for Martin. Hunter, however, lacked three of the necessary number of votes to elect.

Cronnell was Favored.
Leonard Cronnell, the sculptor of this city, was one of the fortunate artists whose work was chosen to represent Chicago at the Nashville exhibition. The committee having the matter in charge chose two of Mr. Cronnell's places of statutory to be sent to the exhibition. It was quite a compliment to Mr. Cronnell that his work was chosen as that of only a few artists will be sent to the fair.

The Frye Case.
The trial of the party named Frye, charged with theft of meat at the Stern market, will come up in Justice Hardy's office tomorrow.

It is probable that in the near future there will be a new elevator put in the Haworth block for the use of the Decatur club members.

H. S. Magill of Clinton, traded his home place east of Clinton comprising fifteen acres, to Ah Miller for a house and lot on South Monroe street, Clinton, and other considerations.

There is a poultry and egg firm at Milwaukee which on last Monday received over 6000 dozen eggs for shipment.

Sheet metal is composed of lead and a small quantity of arsenic.

A COSTLY FIRE.

Millions of Dollars Goes Up in Smoke at Knoxville, Tenn., This Morning.

WARSHIPS TO AID THE TURKS.

A Battle in Bechuanaland—Disbanded Union Fraternal Insurance Co.—Murder at South Haven, Michigan.

Knoxville, Tenn., April 8.—The most disastrous fire the city has ever experienced occurred this morning between 4 and 5 o'clock the entire block between Union and Reservoir streets on Gay street except one building, the longest and hand-somest blocks in the city being reduced to a mass of ruins with a loss of millions of dollars. Several people were slightly injured. The fire started in the wholesale store of the McNulty Grocery Co., and spread rapidly, despite every effort of the entire fire department. Telegrams were sent to Chattanooga and the engines from that city arrived at 6 o'clock, rendering valuable services. The heaviest losers were Daniel Briscoe & Co., wholesale dry goods; Sterl Bros., wholesale furniture; Marblehead City Hat Co., A. P. Laper Dry Goods Co.; Haines & Co., wholesale shoes; S. B. Hewman & Co., printers; Cullen, Newman & Co., printers; Woodruff & Co., wholesale hardware company; Henninger, Dols & Co., wholesale hats and shoes; Sanford, Chamberlain & Alvers, wholesale drugs. McNulty Grocery Co., Knox hotel and many smaller establishments, including three livery stables, were also burned out. The dynamite explosion in Woodruff's hardware store shattered every window in the street.

Warship to Aid the Turks.

Canea, April 8.—The foreign admirals sent a warship to Kessimo to assist the Turks in evacuating that place the latter having declared it impossible to resist the insurgents.

A Battle in Bechuanaland.

Cape Town, April 8.—A dispatch from Vryburg says that in the encounter with Bechuanaland insurgents Tuesday, Cape volunteers lost two killed and six wounded.

Murder at South Haven, Mich.

South Haven, Mich., April 8.—Word received this morning that an old veteran named Dickerson, living three miles in the county, shot and killed his wife and then probably fatally shot himself. Dickerson was a man of ungovernable temper and married the woman he killed only three months ago.

Fell Down Stairs.

Dr. A. L. Collins met with a serious accident yesterday. He was going down the stairs at his office on North Main street when he tripped and fell. The doctor injured his back and will be confined to his bed for some days as a result.

The Tabernacle Revival.

The revival at the Christian tabernacle is still in progress. Rev. George F. Hall conducts services every night in the week excepting Fridays and Saturdays. Last evening there were six baptisms.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hoggas entertained the West Side Whist club last evening at their residence, 1019 West Decatur street. A very pleasant evening was spent. At a seasonable hour light refreshments were served. Those present were Dr. A. S. Waltz, J. A. Davidson, H. Thompson, Charles Walters, Will Morris, E. Brenne-man, Clay Dempsey, G. Ward, J. M. Lee, George Watt, Frank Smith and their wives.

This Evening the Charter Members of Court Decatur, No. 3168, Independent Order of Foresters, will give a reception and entertainment in the hall in the Haines block, 233 North Main street. There will be music, recitations and brief addresses. The admission will be free—no collection.

The decorator has been at work at the Peter Halmbacher saloon and oyster house on East Main street. The ceiling and walls have been brightened and beautified at considerable expense.

Election in Friends' Creek township.

The election in Friends' Creek township on Tuesday resulted in a Republican victory. The Democrats succeeded in electing the collector, but that was all. Below is the result:

Republican—Town clerk, F. Benton, 204; assessor, H. M. Strever, 221; collector, J. McFarland, 298; commissioner of highways, Samuel Gerber, 197; justice of the peace, J. W. Six, 199; W. H. Hartman, 185; constables, Bunn Farr, 190, John Shannon, 214; cemetery trustees, Benjamin Gaken, 196.

Democrat—Town clerk, R. Clifton, 183; assessor, J. M. Pullam, 166; collector, A. L. Bowersock, 194; commissioner of highways, T. F. Maesey, 183; justice of peace, J. W. Kille, 198; C. D. Majors, 174; constables, J. W. Ray, 179; J. A. Brennan, 171; cemetery trustee, John W. Parr, sr., 185.

River is Falling.

The Sangamon river which has been very high recently, is going down. The river was higher this spring than it has been for several years. In many places it was over its banks and the bottom lands were flooded. At Riverdale park the water was up to the bottom of the stairs which lead to the bottom house, but it has gone down several feet from that point. A great deal of the bottom land, however, is still under water.

Will Meet To-Night.

The members of the official board of the Y. M. C. A. will hold a meeting this evening. Among other business which will be transacted will be the consideration of engaging a new physical director to have charge of the gymnasium. Secretary Woodford has been corresponding with several men with the view of securing them and he will make a report to the board tonight. There will be seven applications for membership to the association which will be acted upon this evening.

Taken Home.

Major George R. Steele, who managed to reach the county treasurer's office this morning, was taken seriously ill during the forenoon, and because so weak from an affection of the heart that he had to lie prostrate for several hours before it was deemed safe to remove him in a carriage to his home in the Third ward. He was some better this afternoon.

On the Methodist Circuit.

Rev. E. B. Randle will preach this evening at the Long Creek Methodist church.

Rev. A. M. Dandy will preach next Sunday morning and evening at the Elwin church and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the Blue Mount chapel.

Praise Service for First 100.

Rev. Hall announces that there will be a praise service at the tabernacle Sunday evening for the first 100 new members added since the division of the old first church last November. The total membership of the church is now 630. The present revival will continue till May.

Store Will Move.

Harry Stine will move his news store from the room in the Chenoweth block and will occupy a portion of the Melcher & Loveland room in the Library block. The Postal Telegraph company will occupy the room in the Chenoweth block.

The son of J. A. Sine, living on East Whitmer street, met with an accident yesterday. He was playing with some other boys at the Jackson street school when he received a fall which injured him slightly.

MARKET REPORT.

CHICAGO, ILL., APRIL 8, 1897.

The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondence in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations:

	Open-	High-	Low-	Clos-
Wheat—				
April.....	66 1/2	67 1/4	65 1/2	66 1/2
May.....	66 1/2	67 1/4	66 1/2	66 1/2
Corn—				
April.....	23 1/2	23 3/4	23 1/2	23 1/2
May.....	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Oats—				
April.....	16 1/2	17 1/4	16 1/2	16 1/2
May.....	17 1/2	17 3/4	17 1/2	17 1/2
Pork—				
April.....	8.06	8.12 1/2	8.00	8.12
May.....				
Lard—				
April.....	4.03 1/2	4.10	4.07	4.10
May.....				
Ribs—				
April.....	4.40	4.47 1/2	4.40	4.47 1/2
May.....				
Wheat, white, No. 1	65 1/2	66 1/4	65 1/2	65 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 2	64 1/2	65 1/4	64 1/2	64 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 3	63 1/2	64 1/4	63 1/2	63 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 4	62 1/2	63 1/4	62 1/2	62 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 5	61 1/2	62 1/4	61 1/2	61 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 6	60 1/2	61 1/4	60 1/2	60 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 7	59 1/2	60 1/4	59 1/2	59 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 8	58 1/2	59 1/4	58 1/2	58 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 9	57 1/2	58 1/4	57 1/2	57 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 10	56 1/2	57 1/4	56 1/2	56 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 11	55 1/2	56 1/4	55 1/2	55 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 12	54 1/2	55 1/4	54 1/2	54 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 13	53 1/2	54 1/4	53 1/2	53 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 14	52 1/2	53 1/4	52 1/2	52 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 15	51 1/2	52 1/4	51 1/2	51 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 16	50 1/2	51 1/4	50 1/2	50 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 17	49 1/2	50 1/4	49 1/2	49 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 18	48 1/2	49 1/4	48 1/2	48 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 19	47 1/2	48 1/4	47 1/2	47 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 20	46 1/2	47 1/4	46 1/2	46 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 21	45 1/2	46 1/4	45 1/2	45 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 22	44 1/2	45 1/4	44 1/2	44 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 23	43 1/2	44 1/4	43 1/2	43 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 24	42 1/2	43 1/4	42 1/2	42 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 25	41 1/2	42 1/4	41 1/2	41 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 26	40 1/2	41 1/4	40 1/2	40 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 27	39 1/2	40 1/4	39 1/2	39 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 28	38 1/2	39 1/4	38 1/2	38 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 29	37 1/2	38 1/4	37 1/2	37 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 30	36 1/2	37 1/4	36 1/2	36 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 31	35 1/2	36 1/4	35 1/2	35 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 32	34 1/2	35 1/4	34 1/2	34 1/2
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Wheat, white, No. 35	31 1/2	32 1/4	31 1/2	31 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 36	30 1/2	31 1/4	30 1/2	30 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 37	29 1/2	30 1/4	29 1/2	29 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 38	28 1/2	29 1/4	28 1/2	28 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 39	27 1/2	28 1/4	27 1/2	27 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 40	26 1/2	27 1/4	26 1/2	26 1/2
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Wheat, white, No. 42	24 1/2	25 1/4	24 1/2	24 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 43	23 1/2	24 1/4	23 1/2	23 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 44	22 1/2	23 1/4	22 1/2	22 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 45	21 1/2	22 1/4	21 1/2	21 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 46	20 1/2	21 1/4	20 1/2	20 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 47	19 1/2	20 1/4	19 1/2	19 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 48	18 1/2	19 1/4	18 1/2	18 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 49	17 1/2	18 1/4	17 1/2	17 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 50	16 1/2	17 1/4	16 1/2	16 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 51	15 1/2	16 1/4	15 1/2	15 1/2
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Wheat, white, No. 54	12 1/2	13 1/4	12 1/2	12 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 55	11 1/2	12 1/4	11 1/2	11 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 56	10 1/2	11 1/4	10 1/2	10 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 57	9 1/2	10 1/4	9 1/2	9 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 58	8 1/2	9 1/4	8 1/2	8 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 59	7 1/2	8 1/4	7 1/2	7 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 60	6 1/2	7 1/4	6 1/2	6 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 61	5 1/2	6 1/4	5 1/2	5 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 62	4 1/2	5 1/4	4 1/2	4 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 63	3 1/2	4 1/4	3 1/2	3 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 64	2 1/2	3 1/4	2 1/2	2 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 65	1 1/2	2 1/4	1 1/2	1 1/2
Wheat, white, No. 66	1/2	1 1/4	1/2	1/2
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Wheat, white, No. 100	0 1/2	1 1/4	0 1/2	0 1/2

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Our House has been Established Over 20 Years at
156 EAST MAIN STREET.

New Department ADDED BY THE F. H. COLE SHOE CO.,



SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 3d, we will open up our NEW DEPARTMENT on the second floor which will be of interest to the public, because the public is going to get the benefit.

On the second floor, where we have heretofore kept a portion of our reserve stock, we have fitted up a Bargain Department which is reached by a stairway from the main store. The goods will be displayed on

tables where each lot will be shown, with sizes and price prominently displayed.

The goods are New, of high grade, and are offered at Cut Price for one reason only—to clean up goods accumulated from each season. Stock will accumulate in an up-to-date store. There is only one thing, therefore, left to do with the goods, to move them with the power of price. The time for big profits has passed and the great problem is how to get a big volume of business. The reductions we have made are something startling.

These are a few of the prices which will show you that it will pay you to visit this department.

- NO. 1.**
Ladies' Dongola Shoes, Hand Welt Bottom, in Button and Lace, \$2.29, reduced from \$3.00.
- NO. 2.**
Ladies' Dongola Button Shoes, in square toe, welt sole, \$1.69, reduced from \$2.50.
- NO. 3.**
Ladies' Dongola Lace Shoes, machine sewed, Opera and Square Toes, \$1.44, reduced from \$2.00.
- NOS. 5 AND 6.**
Ladies' Dongola Oxfords, in Opera and square toe, 98c, reduced from \$1.50.

- NO. 29.**
Ladies' Vici Kid Lace Shoes, needle toe, machine sewed, sizes 2½ to 7, widths A to E, \$1.79, reduced from \$2.50.
- NO. 10.**
Child's Dongola Oxfords, Opera toe, Pat. tip, sizes 8½ to 11, at 69c, reduced from \$1.00.
- NO. 13.**
Misses' Tan Button Shoes, sizes 11½ to 2, at 98c, reduced from \$1.50.

There will be surprises for the buying public Saturday morning, when this New Department will be thrown open to the buying public.

SIGN OF THE BRASS FOOT TRACKS.

FRANK H. COLE SHOE CO.

148 East Main Street.

Cast Your Eye

On this for a Moment.

Do you need a blood purifier? See our Syrup Sarsaparilla Co.—a bottle same size as Hood's—twice as strong. Guaranteed, and only 50c a bottle. Try it.

KING'S DRUG STORE,
Cor. Main and Water Sts.

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.
Russian corn cure at Irwin's.
Smoke the Little J. 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.
Irwin's Satisfaction tooth powder whitens and preserves the teeth.
Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent, made by John Wiegand. Mch 26 tf.
Irwin's Excelsior hair promoter will restore gray hair to its natural color. Large bottle, 75 cents.
A large new stock of the highest quality perfumes just received at West's drug store. Forty cents per ounce.
Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf
Did you feel the wind blow? Kuny, Johns & Strohm write cyclone insurance. 124 North Water.—1-dlm.
Ask your druggist for the German Catarrh Cure, a positive cure for catarrh, asthma, cough, colds and headache. mar 16-dtf
The ladies of Grace Methodist church held a meeting this afternoon to arrange for a dinner, supper and sale which will be given the Saturday before Easter.
Clark and Schroll have opened a real estate, land and insurance office in Room 22, Aronde building. All kinds of insurance written. Loans made, money solicited to place upon good city and farm property.—37-dtf.
The Decatur fire department is often called upon to put out a fire, which they do with neatness and despatch. But they can't stop a cyclone. Kuny, Johns & Strohm write cyclone insurance. 124 North Water.—1-dlm.
We have now placed on sale the following makes of ladies' shoes, viz.: Grovers, Gardner & Estes Co., Cousins & Laird, Scholer & Mitchell, heretofore sold at \$5 now offered at \$1.75; sizes from 2½ to 5½, widths A, B, C. Bargains without end. H. W. Waggoner & Co.—3 dlv

CYCLONE
(Insurance in first class companies. J. L. Drake, over F. O.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—G. A. Stadler is home from Battle Creek, Mich.
—J. E. Osborne was in Chicago yesterday on business.
—A. H. Mills was at Shelbyville today on legal business.
—Mrs. William Deacons is ill at her home on West Wood street.
—Hon. W. S. Smith is reported alarmingly ill at his home in Mt. Zion.
—Charles Dawson, who has been ill of typhoid fever, is much improved.
—Mrs. Mary Leahy is seriously ill at her home, No. 814 East Orchard street.
—Frank Reinert and daughter, Miss Pauline, are visiting friends in St. Louis.
—Miss Adelaide Danely is home from Lincoln where she has been visiting friends.
—H. W. Fenton went to Chicago this morning after several days' visit in the city.
—The child of Daniel McNamara is ill at the family home on Railroad avenue.
—Rev. Tobey, who has been visiting friends in the city, has returned to his home in Georgetown.
—Miss Lulu Beltz, of Taylorville, arrived in the city today to visit Miss Julia Nicholson.
—General Passenger Agent Palmer of the Rock Island road, was in the city today on business.
—Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Enos, of New Orleans, are in the city visiting Mrs. Enos' mother, Mrs. Adeline Owens.
—Mrs. M. A. Sedgwick left this morning for Stockton, Cal., where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Waterbury.
—J. C. Metlin of Kansas, who has been visiting in the city, went to Argenta today to spend a few days with friends.
—Mrs. Ina Mundy, who has been critically ill at her home in Mt. Zion for the past ten days, is considered to be out of danger.
—Wheeler Smith, mail clerk at the depot, went to Mt. Zion last night on account of the illness of his brother, Wash Smith.
—E. L. Martin went to Champaign this morning. He has the contract for building stone walks around the university buildings.

—Rev. George F. Hall leaves tomorrow morning for Winchester, Ill., the county seat of Scott, where he will deliver four addresses under the auspices of The Good Government club of that city, returning in time for his morning sermon Sunday.
NEW OFFICERS IN PLACE.
Addresses and Public Installation at Decatur Lodge of Odd Fellows.
The hall of Decatur lodge, No. 65, Odd Fellows, was filled last night, on the occasion of the public installation of the newly elected officers. The ritualistic ceremonies were faithfully observed and the occasion was made deeply impressive.

Program.
Opening Ode—By all present.
Prayer—H. A. Gaskill.
Music—Orchestra.
Installation of Officers—Grand Lodge.
Instrumental Solo—Member of Orchestra.
Lectures to Officers—L. D. Grand Master.
Address—L. C. Hays.
Response.
Announcement—Grand Marshal.
Music—Orchestra.
Closing Ode.
These grand lodge officers served at the stations:
W. A. Bright—L. D. Grand Master.
W. E. Pease—Grand Warden.
J. H. Gregor—Grand Marshal.
G. B. Ashton—Grand Recording Secretary.
L. L. Underwood—Grand Per Secretary.
L. H. Martin—Grand Treasurer.
L. W. Fribourg—Grand I. Guardian.
Following is a list of the officers installed:
A. W. Hendricks, past grand, H. J. Votaw, noble grand; D. F. Wallace, vice grand; I. N. Martin, Jr., recording secretary; Andrew Sells, permanent secretary; Thomas C. Kitchen, treasurer; W. E. Linton, R. S. Noble grand; A. Rubeason, L. S. noble grand; W. S. Martin, warden; Jacob Bauer, conductor; G. Keast, R. S. supporter; A. H. Barnett, L. S. supporter; J. T. Lloyd, inner guardian; G. A. Ashton, outer guardian; H. A. Gaskill, chaplain; W. L. Ulrich, R. S. vice grand; J. W. Nichols, L. S. vice grand.

The opera house orchestra played a number of pleasing selections during the evening. W. A. Bright presented L. C. Hays, past grand chaplain of the New York Grand Lodge, who gave a most excellent address on the objects and purposes of Odd Fellowship, which order he said was approved by God and by all churches and good people as instrumental in illustrating God's truths and in making men better and nobler.

I. N. Martin, Jr., in responding to the address of Bro. Hays, in the name of the Decatur lodge, expressed his thanks for the noble sentiments expressed, and then alluded to a part of the work that is unwritten. Mr. Martin in the name of the Odd Fellows presented Bro. Hays with a very handsome gold headed ebony cane as a testimonial of the esteem in which the gentleman in held. Bro. Hays was taken completely by surprise received the gift with appropriate words of thanks.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Whereas, It has come to the notice of the local board of fire underwriters of Decatur that the firm of Kuny, Johns & Strohm are soliciting business by means of a newspaper article which is calculated to deceive and create distrust in the mind of the insuring public regarding the stability and financial standing of the insurance companies doing business in this state. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the secretary of the local board of fire underwriters of Decatur be and is hereby authorized and instructed to insert the following article in the Morning Review, Herald-Dispatch, Evening Bulletin and Evening Republican.

The insurance firm of Kuny, Johns & Strohm by an article in several of our city papers attempting to deceive the insuring public regarding the financial standing and stability of the fire insurance companies whose policies are protecting the property of our citizens, by stating that more than 150 fire insurance companies discontinued doing business during 1896. The facts are, according to the twenty-eighth annual insurance report of the insurance superintendent of the state of Illinois and according to the report of the Spectator company, who are recognized the world over as authority on insurance, there were 203 fire and cyclone insurance companies doing business according to the law in this state Jan. 1, 1896, including joint stock, mutual, foreign district, county and township companies. No joint stock company doing business in the state failed during 1896. (The Firemen's of Chicago retired in 1897.)

The 150 companies referred to as "discontinued," consisted principally of Lloyds and Mutuals which were never authorized to do business in Illinois and it would not matter to the citizens of Decatur if 1000 of such companies failed, as they are prohibited by law from doing business in this state. Any reputable fire insurance agent doing business in this city is supplied with insurance superintendent's reports which are public documents and can show the financial condition of any company authorized to do business in Illinois.

The article referred to is inserted only for the purpose of inducing insurers to submit their policies to Kuny, Johns & Strohm so that they may secure the date of expiration of the policies and thereby secure the line of insurance, and this is a trick that ought not to fool any one. The insurance companies authorized to do business in this state are solvent and safe, and insurers need have no fear of being defrauded so long as they do business with a reputable, authorized agent.

By order of the local board of fire underwriters of Decatur, Ill.
R. R. Montgomery, President.
J. L. Drake, Secretary.
Dated, April 7, 1897.

KUNY, JOHNS & STROHM'S STATEMENT.
Some people become hysterical so easily that the simple telling of a truth will throw them into spasms. However we will continue to tell the truth though the heavens fall. We did state and assert and now do repeat and reiterate that more than 150 insurance companies discontinued business during 1896; to be exact, there were 28 stock companies 43 mutuals and 91 Lloyds, a total of 162.

Nowhere did we say these companies were authorized to transact business in this state but the members of the local board know that "wild-cat" insurance has been and probably continues to be sold in this city.

Perhaps you don't know that the insurance commissioner in his report of 1896 made charges of violation of the law against seven companies. That he asked for an appropriation of \$6000 to cover legal expenses in prosecuting "wild cat" companies. It does not follow that because a party has purchased a policy that the company issuing same has complied with our state law, or that the company is good. Almost daily our firm receives letters from out of town brokers offering to place insurance for us in companies

which we know are not authorized in this state. We have seen such letters in the hands of local merchants and manufacturers and have no doubt that considerable such insurance has been sold here the purchasers being ignorant that the policies are worthless. In fact during the past sixty days, this firm has taken up not less than \$15,000 of underground insurance in this city, hence the following excerpt from the local board letter does seem the height of absurdity and it would not matter to the citizens of Decatur if 1000 of such companies failed as they are prohibited by law from doing business in this state.

You know that is not true—you never talk that way when soliciting business from the holder of a "wild cat" policy—do you?

We wanted and intended to "clear" the trust in the minds of the insuring public regarding the stability and financial standing of doubtful companies. We never claimed to have the only good companies in the city but we do represent the oldest and the strongest American companies doing business in the United States. We represent more companies than any other agency in the city and jealousy on that account is what prompts all the different articles.

Since the local agents are backward about inspecting our list we will hang the same in the window so they need not enter our office unless they wish. Cordial invitation is extended to them
Kuny, Johns & Strohm
124 North Water

SPRING OPENING RECEPTION.

Evening Display of Millinery and Dry Goods at Linn & Scruggs Store.

The big store of the Linn & Scruggs Co., was brilliant with light and beautiful in special decorations of beautiful creations last night, it being the occasion of the first evening reception of the week for the extra display of millinery and splendid goods on each of the three spacious floors. The people thronged the three floors of the great store, while the proprietors and salesmen made everybody welcome. It was a great treat for the visitors. While all were promenading and chatting the opera house orchestra played a number of pleasing selections. The display of goods was generally admired and generously praised. The evening reception will be continued tonight and tomorrow night. Everybody is invited to come. More splendid music tonight by the orchestra. See the program in the firm's ad in this issue.

A Rejoinder.
In answer to a statement made in the Republican yesterday I will say that I will give \$100 to anyone who will prove that six representative and well known stock fire insurance companies who do a general agency business failed in 1896.

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The clock rooms in the basement were crowded with men and women clerks, while scores of others were in the main basement waiting their turn to dress. Fully 100 employees watched Landhon as he climbed up a step ladder. Having reached the top he stretched out his hand and held a hold of one of the wires.

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Mayor of Hastings Well Guarded to Avoid a Possible Lynching.

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The Chicago Live Stock Case.
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EASTERN QUESTION.
Belief Becoming Prevalent that the Powers Have Made a Failure.
THAT THE BOASTED CONCERT IS SHAM
The Turks are Still Arming and Preparing for a Conflict They Feel the Powers Cannot Prevent.

Constantinople, April 9.—War preparations throughout the Turkish empire continue to be steadily pressed. Although there is not much change in the eastern situation a very pessimistic feeling prevails here at the failure of the powers in their attempts to coerce Greece. The blockade of the Piræus seems as far off as ever and the war party is bringing pressure to bear on the government with the result that the porte has dispatched circulars to representatives abroad setting forth that Turkey is growing impatient at the prolongation of the crisis which is pressing heavily on already embarrassed exchequers. The belief prevails here that the powers are losing control over the course of events and that their so-called concert is a failure. A new danger has arisen through the circulation of a pamphlet reciting alleged Christian atrocities on the Musesium in Crete and elsewhere. This has greatly inflamed the Turks against the Greeks and the government has been compelled to take measures to prevent outbreaks by the population.

SHOCKED TO DEATH.
Charles Landhon Instantly Killed by a Live Light Wire.

Chicago, April 9.—Charles Landhon, an electrician employed in the store of Schlesinger & Mayer, State and Madison streets, was instantly killed at 6:30 o'clock last evening by an electric shock.

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OUR NEIGHBORS.

Ernest Hardin left Monday for Sweet-water where he will remain during the summer.

Mrs. Hattie Wilson went to Clinton Friday to reside with her daughter, Mrs. Lee Kirk.

W. T. Alberty and wife moved to Paris, Ill., last week.

Miss Anna Lowe went to Harrison Tuesday where she will make an extended visit.

Rev. Mr. Waterbury of Cerro Gordo was in town Tuesday.

David Frank returned from German-town, Ohio, on Tuesday. Mr. Frank will probably remove to that place in the near future.

Dr. E. A. Morgan of Decatur was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. Minnie Stafford was in Clinton Tuesday on business.

G. W. Frey of Decatur was in town Wednesday.

Hill Bros. have commenced the erection of a large permanent awning in front of their store.

The ladies of the Christian church served a dinner in the vacant building of the Masonic block Tuesday and were well patronized. The receipts were about \$30.

Mrs. Frank Miller and Mrs. Lucy Smith visited Decatur friends Wednesday.

Stratton Axton of Cowden was in town Thursday.

Miss Emma Merker went to Chicago Thursday to visit her brother, Melvin Merker.

Miss Mame Brand of Decatur visited the family of W. H. Parker last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cline went to Kenney Tuesday to attend the funeral of Willie Hainey, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hainey, who died Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirchhoff of Farmer City, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Kempeball, returned to their home Monday.

Miss Laura Mayall is among the sick.

Walter Weddle of Clinton, formerly of this city, has been compelled to give up his position on the Illinois Central on account of lung trouble.

Messrs. Blake and Shwets, the horse buyers, spent Sunday in the city with friends.

Thomas Costello was in Springfield Saturday.

Alice McCoy, wife of Nicholas Huffman, Jr., died at her home 2 1/2 miles north of town Monday at 9 o'clock. She was aged about 35 years. The body was taken to Jasper county for burial. The remains were accompanied by her husband and three children and a sister, Mrs. Ollie Smith, of Quincy.

Township election Tuesday. The vote for the two tickets was:

Supervisor—David Wellip, D, 315; John P. Norris, R, 138.

Clerk—Nate Crouch, D, 218; T. D. Hardin, R, 238.

Assessor—Arthur Wyckoff, D, 232; J. M. Kosow, R, 308.

Collector—Harry Stoutenborough, D, 219; Martin Hitt, R, 332.

Commissioner of Highways—Robert Leach, D, 216; John Anderson, R, 326.

Justices of the Peace—C. C. Crandall, R, 314; I. L. Bogle, R, 300.

Constables—John S. Megrue, D, 189; James Whitehead, D, 155; James L. Bid-die, R, 243; Marion Gullett, R, 138.

Dalton City.

Mr. and Mrs. John McIntyre visited Behany last week.

Miss Mary Duggan and Ella Nolan visited Decatur last week.

Mike Hogan of Findlay was seen on our streets Monday.

E. V. Heskett of Sullivan was seen on our streets yesterday. His arm is improving rapidly.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. George Webb, April 4, a daughter.

Mike McCarty visited Decatur and Shelbyville Monday and Tuesday.

Henry Uppendahl, Thomas Proctor, W. P. Dunn and B. Lester visited Decatur Monday.

John Goodman, Charley Hardy, Mike and R. F. Duggan of Decatur were here Tuesday to vote.

Joe Hagerty visited Decatur Tuesday.

Frank Evans fell from a box car, severely injuring his ankle.

George Vansickle of Lake was on our streets last week.

Joe Sherman of Lake City was seen on our streets last week.

James Robinson of Prairie Home was in town Tuesday.

Jerry McCaughey has purchased a fine saddle horse.

Minor Hale is running Foster Stover's sheller this summer.

Miss Kate Hughes was in Decatur Saturday.

We wish to tender our most sincere thanks to the people of Dalton City and vicinity for their help and kindness shown to us in our late bereavement, when the death angel came to our door and took from us our darling one and brother, Frankie. B. F. Buller and family.

Thomas Buxton has purchased Dr. Patterson's bicycle.

Members of Sabbath schools are busy preparing for Easter exercises.

Miss Judith Rhine was the leader at the Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday afternoon.

Miss Cora Underwood is with her sister, Mrs. Jolley, of Cerro Gordo, this week.

Abe Bushart of Danville returned to his home Saturday from the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Susan Bushart, who is very sick.

Mrs. Joseph Rork spent Friday and Saturday in Decatur visiting friends and shopping.

Mrs. John Casner is on the sick list this week.

Chris Rork went to Kentucky Saturday to look at a fine horse which he contemplates purchasing.

Mrs. Bushart, who was taken so seriously ill some time since is not improving and her recovery is considered a matter of considerable doubt. She is at the home of her son Lewis near here.

On Sunday the annual reorganization of the Sabbath school was held, the following officers being selected for the year: Superintendent, M. W. Patterson; Assistant Superintendent, Earle Tobill; Secretary, Miss Louie Underwood; Treasurer, Miss Judith Rhine.

Dr. Patterson's yard of fine Light Brahma chicks is the admiration of all who have seen them. They are the nicest we have seen. He is selling eggs, but the chicks are not for sale.

Niantic.

Owing to the extremely bad weather of Wednesday, March 31, the funeral obsequies of Jackson Clev were conducted at the residence. Memorial services will be conducted at Niantic M. E. church on Easter Sunday. Mr. Clev died March 30, of inflammation of the stomach. He was 73 years of age.

The young friends of Miss Pearl Cusins gave her a pleasant surprise party on Tuesday, March 30, in honor of her 18th birthday. Miss Mabel Cusins, Bertha Chamberlain and Pearl McElroy were the managers of the affair. Twelve couples were present. Music, progressive conversation and taffy pulling were the chief features of amusement.

Mrs. Mary A. Foster is again on the indisposed list.

Mrs. L. Rogers left last week for Springfield to visit her son, Samuel Miller.

Misses Pearl McElroy and Edith Eri-man were Decatur visitors Saturday. Miss Eriaman took the teachers' examination; Miss McElroy visited Miss Mary Clark.

At the convention Saturday night Thomas Allen was nominated for president of the town board; Wm. P. Jones, S. H. Brock and Frank Beall as members of the town board, and Enoch Martin for town clerk. This is the anti-license ticket.

A medal contest will be held at the Christian church on the evening before election day.

The fight against saloons is being warmly waged.

Miss Lina Brunner of Normal, Ill., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Abigail Wilks. Mrs. Wilks is not so well this week. She has been ill eight months.

Emmett Pinkley's family moved to Niantic last week from Gibson City.

John Ball and wife lost their infant son by death last week.

Some of our citizens are making garden and farmers are beginning their spring work.

Mrs. Anna Elzer is improving in health.

Macon.

Miss Mattie Battamfield, who has been visiting in Chicago the past month, returned home Saturday.

Miss Leona Caylet returned Thursday from a visit with relatives in Bloomington.

The "Old Maid's Convention" given by the Epworth League Friday night was quite a financial success. It netted the society nearly \$40.

Miss Fannie Morris and Lillian Ellis were visiting friends in Decatur Saturday.

The citizens of Macon met at the tabernacle Saturday night and nominated the following ticket: Mayor, E. L. Hight; Treasurer, John Schubel; City Clerk, F. M. Chamberlain; Aldermen, W. E. Maser, E. Redman, Clinton Webb and H. Smull. The election will be held April 19.

Miss Mame Chamberlain was the guest of Miss Mattie McHenry in Moweaqua Saturday.

The school election Saturday promises to be one of the hottest fought elections Macon has had for a long time.

Rev. John Roberts will preach to the graduating class next Sunday night at the Presbyterian church. This is a new feature in this line, but we think it will be a good one.

La Placa.

Sheriff Shively of Monticello was on our streets one day last week.

Joseph Uery had a new 15-horse-power gasoline engine placed in his mill and elevator. It is of a new pattern and quite an improvement over his old one.

Misses Bess Hawthorne and Vivian Greene, who have been attending school in Decatur, spent last week's vacation with their parents.

Miss Sallie Thompson of Cerro Gordo visited relatives here last week.

A. O. Saylor transacted business at Bement and Monticello a couple of days last week.

Little Miss Cordy Wilson came out from Decatur last Tuesday to visit with her grandmother.

W. A. Fleck went to Robinson, Ill., last Thursday to visit friends for two or three weeks. His brother Ben will measure ribbons and laces for the ladies until W. A. returns.

Miss Mary Hodge of Decatur visited Mrs. George Wagner last week.

H. N. Greene has had a force of men employed for a week or more painting and decorating the interior of his dry goods establishment.

Bruce Farlik of Decatur visited home folks here last week.

The election in Cerro Gordo township resulted in a complete victory for the Republicans. The following ticket was elected: Supervisor, J. S. McKay; Town clerk, E. A. Barnwell; Highway commissioner, William Longenecker; Assessor, C. P. Yates; Collector, A. C. Doyle; Justices of the Peace, E. A. Barnwell and C. E. Overstake; Constables, John Hughes and James Goudwin. The majorities ranged from 121 down to 26.

To Attain Beauty.

The plain and thoughtful maiden was troubled.

"What is the best way to attain beauty?" she asked.

"Oh, that's easy," returned the pretty and vivacious maiden.

"Then tell me," urged the plain and thoughtful maiden eagerly.

"Well, of course, there are lots of people who will claim that they can make you beautiful."

"Yes."

"And very likely some of them can help you some."

"Yes."

"But that's not the surest and most satisfactory way."

"Of course not."

"No, indeed. The surest way is to be born beautiful."

The fact that they never speak now is very generally known in the neighborhood in which they live.—Chicago Post.

Great Deal Cheaper.

She—What would this world be without love?

He—(remembering the opera and the supper of the night before)—It would be a blessed sight cheaper, for one thing.—Cleveland Leader.

"SHE DRESSES WELL."

But Her Clothes Often Cover a Living Death.

Beauty Is the Shrine of Men's Worship, and Women Vie With Each Other to Make Themselves Attractive.

The remark, "She dresses elegantly," is a very common one in this age of wealth and progress.

Women vie with each other in making themselves attractive, for men admire a stylishly dressed woman.

Good clothes add to the charms of the woman in perfect health, but are ill-befitting those who through ignorance or carelessness have suffered the inroads of female diseases to stamp them as physical wrecks. It is unfortunate, but true, that some physicians allow women to suffer needlessly, because man can only work from theory, and at best only patch up, without removing the cause.

Proof is abundant that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound removes the cause, gives strength to the weakened organs, vigorous health to the system, and therefore beauty to the face and form.

Mrs. Pinkham, Lynn, Mass., gladly answers, free of charge all letters. Here is one of the results:

"Three months ago, I wrote you a letter describing my troubles, which were inflammation of the womb and bladder. I had not seen a well day since the birth of my second child, 16 years ago. I had spent hundreds of dollars for doctors and medicines.

"Such pains as I endured. My back ached, my feet and limbs were swollen, and it was almost impossible for me to stand; I could not walk any distance. I received your answer to my letter, and followed closely all your advice, and I have been using Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound for three months. Now I can work all day without pain. I have recommended the Compound to many of my friends, and gladly recommend it to all women in any way afflicted with female troubles."

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Japanese Wash Silks, 25 pieces, choice assortment, at 24c yd.

Japanese Plaid Skirting Silks, extra heavy grade, at 40c yd.

India Printed Silks, new patterns and stylish colors, at 35c yd.

22-inch Printed India Silks, special value, 39c yd.

Plaid Taffeta Silks, all combinations, great value, 58c yd.

27-inch Printed India Silks, latest designs, at 65c.

24-inch Twill Foulard Silks, extra quality, at 75c yd.

100 pieces Assorted Fancy Silks, in Checks, Stripes, Plaids and Brocades, light and dark colors, value \$1.00 to \$1.50 yard, all marked 88c yard.

One lot of All Silk Grenadines, choice designs, worth \$1.00 and \$1.50 yard, all marked 88c yard.

150 Remnants

of Fancy Colored Silks marked to close out at 29c, 39c, 49c and 59c yd.

Black Silks.

Just 100 pieces of Black Silks left of our purchase last week. These include Taffetas, Peau de Sois, Duchesses, Armures, Moires, Gros Grains and Failles, all selling at

58c, 68c and 75c yard.

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Bicycles! Bicycles!

Bicycles! Bicycles!

A Good Line of New 1897 Wheels.

NO OLD GOODS. NO FAKES.

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Our Millinery Department

is an attractive place these opening days. Most beautiful of all the ornate decorations is the Millinery itself, the gay colors so popular this season, dexteriously blended into harmonious effects by clever trimmers. We believe our patrons are entitled to the very best that money and genius can produce, and we offer Artistic Designing and Expert Trimming on hundreds of New Shapes at Moderate Prices.

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The new Short Box Coat In Light Tan at..... \$12

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in all the New Shades of Brown and Plaids, Checks, Homespun and Mixtures, from.....

Men's Fine Black Clay Dress Suits Sacks or Frocks—Suits at.....

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Full line of New and Up-to-Date MAKE AND

Suits from \$13.50 a

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Spring time brings demands for these articles, and you find us with a large
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the grades to the charming Brilliantines.
No one trying to monopolize all branches can or will do as well by you as we—
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LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Ida Fowler has been taken to the
poor farm.

Just a little more rain. It came last
night and today.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made,
Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at
the Opera House Drug store.

The best blood purifier is Ray's Sarsa-
parilla—at West's drug store. 50c.—22-dtf

The tree trimmers are abroad in the
city and the sodders are also at work.

Take the Vandalia fast train to Peoria,
two hours and fifty minutes. Leaves at
11:42 a. m.

If you are troubled with catarrh,
asthma or headache, use the German
medicator, a perfect cure. mar 16dtf

J. H. Leonard has gone to Sullivan to
engage in the dry goods business.

The best spring tonic for that tired
feeling is DeSoto's Celery Nerve Tonic at
West's drug store. 75c.—22-dtf.

The Grand Opera House cigars made
by Johnny Weigand are the best in town.
mch 26-dtf

Little Diana cigar; business men's
ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50.
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Seed sweet potatoes, wholesale and re-
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For first-class dyeing and cleaning and
pressing take your clothing to Miller's.
They are first-class practical dyers and
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German silver is composed of zinc,
nickel, copper and a small portion of iron.

Before you have your spring papering
done go and see W. C. Pluck, 103 East
North street. Exclusive wall paper store.
—5-d3w.

Golden Rod Lotion for chapped hands
gives satisfaction. For sale at Opera
House Drug store.

My dinner is not complete without
vegetables. You can have pea plant, as-
paragus, cucumbers, spinach, wax beans,
lettuce, celery, cranberries, radishes by
calling up 344. Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.

The Decatur Guards had a large party
at the armory last night arranged for the
purpose of raising a fund to purchase new
uniforms for the members. There were
about seventy couples present.

Gents, now is the time to look up your
spring suit of clothes or overcoat and have
them re-dyed, cleaned or pressed in first-
class style by people who are experts and
practical dyers and cleaners at Miller's
Steam Dyeing and Dry Cleaning establish-
ment, 145 North Main street.

We have now placed on sale the follow-
ing makes of ladies' shoes, viz.: Grovers,
Gardner & Estes Co., Consoles & Laird,
Schober & Mitchell, heretofore sold at \$5
now offered at \$1.75; sizes from 2 1/4
to 6 1/2, widths A, B, C. Bargains without
end. H. W. Waggoner & Co.—8-d1w

It is announced that David Patterson,
the nominee of the Democratic party for
mayor, will occupy the pulpit at the Con-
gregational church and address the voters
on city affairs. He has been invited to
speak by the Sunday Evening Club con-
nected with the congregation.

No better soft coal in this market than
Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hard-
est of any coal within 100 miles of Deca-
tur and the harder the coal the longer it
will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in
stock at market price. Up town office,
Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800
North Broadway, old phone 433, new
phone 435. M. F. Metz.—31-dtf

It is probable that there will be a new
trial in the damage case of John R. Thom-
son against the Wabash railroad com-
pany. The verdict of \$500 for the plain-
tiff is not satisfactory to either side. The
plaintiff's attorneys have a notion that
another jury will give more cash, while
the defense think they can send Thom-
son out of court without a penny.

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And guaranteed to be the best flour
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Chas. Mahoney.
J. B. Gordon.
J. B. Robinson.
J. E. Wheeler.
May Bros.
Beckwith Grocery.
L. H. Kater.
H. Mayer.
McMahan & Fulton.
Schille & Oehler.
I. N. Cool.
Weckman & Knapp.
D. Ambrose.
R. W. Davis.
B. W. Hine.
T. T. Springer.
C. Amosfield.
Propst & Hepshire.

THE 1897 CLASS.

All Had a Pleasant Time at the Home of
D. S. Shellabarger.

The members of the 1897 graduating
class of the Decatur high school were
charmingly entertained Tuesday evening
at the commodious home of Hon D. S.
Shellabarger, president of the board of
education. Nearly every member of the
numerous and talented class was present.
It was a memorable gathering, with all
members of the faculty present to witness
the unrestrained enjoyment of the young
people who in June next will receive their
well-earned diplomas and go forth from
the city college to do the best they can
in the world. There were games and mu-
sic and delicious refreshments. It is cus-
tomary for the seniors to have a class
party. It is doubtful if any in the past
equalled the one at the Shellabarger home
in genuine enjoyment. Mrs. Shellabar-
ger and her daughters, Misses Grace and
Corinne, contributed largely to the pleas-
ures of the evening. The class members
of the receiving committee were Emma
Muthersbaugh, Ina Kincaid, Estelle Wil-
liams, Josephine Waggoner, Ira Hoy, Ab-
ner Brintlinger, Sylvester Wilhelm and
Charles Steele. Those who assisted in
the dining room were Clara Phillips,
Mary Sterritt, Beale Sanner, Josephine
Kerr, Josephine Boid, Marie Stelubach,
Gussie Bone, Myrtle Flint and Lillian
King.

To the president, Charles Record, and
to Misses Lillian King and Myrtle Flint
belongs the credit of arranging the party
in a successful manner.

There were two guests present from out
of the city, Miss Carrie Welennett, sister
of Miss Welennett of the faculty, of Pe-
oria, and Miss Belle Frazier of St. Jo-
seph, Mo., who is visiting with Miss May
Sterritt in the city.

STATE S. S. CONVENTION.

It Will be Held at Belleville May 11th,
12th and 13th.

J. R. Gorin, member of the executive
committee, has received an outline of
the program for the 39th annual con-
vention of the Illinois State Sunday School
association to be held at Belleville on
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, May
11, 12 and 13th. The draft has been made
by B. F. Jacobs, chairman of the state ex-
ecutive committee, and he asks Mr. Gorin
to offer suggestions looking to the best
interests of the meeting. Mr. Jacobs asks
that active teachers from the Macon coun-
ty schools be sent to Belleville, especially
good primary teachers. E. O. Excell will
have charge of the singing.

Funeral of Charles Ward.

The funeral of the late Charles Ward,
who was killed on the railroad in North
Dakota and whose remains were brought
to this city yesterday, was held this after-
noon at the residence of his brother, J. H.
Ward, on West Main street. The services
were conducted by Rev. Finley and the
burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

Ward's death was accidental. He was
an agent employed by the Eco Line News
company. On the evening of April 3 he
left the train on which he was running
at Endelon, N. D., to deliver some of his
papers. When he went back to the depot
the train was pulling out and in attempt-
ing to board it he fell under the wheels.
An arm and leg were cut off and he sus-
tained other injuries which resulted in
instant death.

Why Not Decatur?

The great firm of Sigel, Cooper & Co.,
of Chicago, are about to establish a can-
ning factory and are now seeking a loca-
tion. It seems to me Decatur people
ought to call their attention to this loca-
tion as one best suited for such purposes.
Perhaps some of our business men are
personally acquainted with some of the
members of this firm. If so write them
at once and urge them to visit our city.
It is greatly to be regretted that in the
struggle for new enterprises unlike some
of our competitors, we have no organiza-
tion for such purpose. If we are to share
in the new prosperity in store for the
county we should be ready with a busi-
ness organization to aid in securing new
enterprises.
John A. Brown.

Ladies' Aid Entertainment.

The Ladies' Aid society and Sons of
Veterans will give an entertainment at
the G. A. R. hall, April 8. The address
of the evening will be given by Comman-
der Calhoun. The Mandolin club will
give several selections, and a cornet solo
will also be given by Miss Carrie White of
Warrensburg. A two act comedy, enti-
tled "A Matrimonial Advertisement" will
be given by five of the members. Re-
freshments will be served. Ten cents ad-
mission at the door.

Factor Entertainment

Myrtle Temple No. 2, Ruthbone Sis-
ters, will give an Easter Entertainment in
Powers' Block on Monday evening,
April 12th. There will be an exhibi-
tion, an Art Exhibit, in water colors and
in oils; also dancing. Refreshments
will be served at 10 cents. Admission
10 cents. April 6-d3

Sales of Real Estate.

Samuel Heckman et al to David Heck-
man, quit claim deed to a tract of land
to "39. 17, 4 east, \$1.

R. J. Simpson to Harvey S. Clark, lot
13 in block 2 of Chambers, Bering &
Quinlan's addition to Decatur; also lot 6
in block 5 of Powers First addition to
Decatur. \$1.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds
of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden
seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s—
Jan 29 d&wtf

THE NEW LIBRARY.

Work of Fitting the New Quar-
ters in the Powers Block
Has Begun.

WILL MOVE ABOUT THE 1ST OF MAY.

The Job Is a Big One and the Library
Will Close for a Month—Arrange-
ments of the New Rooms Com-
plete in Every Detail.

The Decatur public library when it is
moved into the new rooms in the Powers
block will be as handsomely located as
any library of the same size in the state.
The work of preparing the new quarters
on the fifth floor of the building has al-
ready been started and it is expected that
the library will be moved about the first
of May. The time of moving will be de-
cided by the members of the board of di-
rectors and will depend upon when the
work of finishing the rooms is completed.

The plans for the rooms have been com-
pleted and the arrangement is such that
the place will be convenient and pleasant
for both the librarians and the patrons.
Both elevators in the building will be
run at the same time so that there will be
no difficulty in accommodating all the pa-
trons of the place. After leaving the ele-
vator on the fifth floor it is but a few
steps to the library. The main entrance
opens into the room where the books are
distributed. The west part of the room
is taken up with the book shelves, four-
teen in number. These are to be placed
at a convenient distance part with a pas-
sage way at the back and front. The
room will be placed twenty-two feet
from the west wall and this will leave a
space of about sixteen feet in front of the
counter. Instead of one desk for the dis-
tribution of books there will be three.
At the south end of the counter there will
be a desk where the juvenile books will
be given out, at a second the other books
will be distributed and there will be a
third desk at the north end of the counter
for the reference books. At present the
reference books are in a part of the
library where anyone can take whatever
book they want and put it back again but
it has been deemed to have one person
look after the reference books. When a
book of this kind is wanted the library in
charge of that department is consulted
and the book is at once given out, mak-
ing it much easier for both the librarian
and patron. Just south of the book
shelves is a vacant space where more
shelves can be put when they are needed.

The library room extends around the
north side of the court making it wider at
that end than at the south end. This
part of the space will be used as a read-
ing room and will be supplied with the
tables for newspapers, magazines and
periodicals. In the northwest corner of
the place will be two small rooms 11x16
feet in dimensions. These will be used
for study rooms for anyone who wishes
to read without being disturbed. South
of the main room on the west side of the
building will be a small room fitted for
the use of the librarian and as a place of
meeting for the board of directors. Still
south of this will be a work room with a
door opening into the hall. The floors of
the place are to be covered with linoleum.
The shelves and furniture now in use will
be put in the new rooms and some new
pieces will probably be purchased. In-
side wooden shutters will be at all the
windows. The moving of the library
will be more work than most persons
imagine, but when it is considered that
there are 16,000 volumes in the library
and that each of these will probably have
to be handled twice, the magnitude of the
job can be realized. Mrs. Alice Evans,
the chief librarian, says that it will take
a month to move and settle the library,
and Mrs. Evans knows for she is not a
new hand at moving libraries. This will
make just the sixth time that she has
moved this institution. She first moved
it from the old quarters on Prairie street
to the old Linn & Scruggs building, from
there to the Library block. The books
were taken out of Library block very
hurriedly when the building was on fire
and later put in the basement of the old
Presbyterian church and from there to
the new quarters of the church and then back
to the Library block when it was complet-
ed. It is probable, however, that the
move to be made next month will be the
last until a library building is erected.

Before the library is closed for the mov-
ing all the books will be called in and
those that need repairing will be sent to
the bindery. The books will be packed
in boxes, the shelves which are portable
will be taken down and put up in the new
place and the books then arranged in
their proper place. While the actual mov-
ing of the books is not such a difficult job
great care must be taken that it is done
systematically for if they are mixed it is
an almost endless task to again sort them
in the proper classification. Mrs. Evans
and her assistants, Miss Randle, Miss
Abel and Miss Hawes, will have charge
of the new rooms and Miss Dill who is
expected home this summer, will probably
be added to the force.

Standard gold is made from gold and
copper.

At The Grand.

One Continuous Roar of Laughter.
Three hours of solid, side-splitting
mirth and merriment are in store for the
patrons of the Powers Grand for Friday,
April 9. "McFee's Matrimonial Bureau"
will cure the blues and split your sides
with laughter, so go prepared to laugh
until your sides ache. The newest jokes,
brightest music, prettiest girls, most re-
fined specialties, largest company, most
beautiful scenery and costumes ever seen
in farce comedy. Twenty-five merry,
mirth and music makers, greeted every-
where by smiles, laughs, roars, shouts
and screams of merriment. Don't miss
this opportunity to forget all your trou-
bles and laugh for three solid hours.
One continuous roar of laughter.

GOING TO WEST POINT.

Walter Mills Will Undergo Examination
for Admission to West Point.

Last evening a telegram from Congress-
man Connolly, Washington City, was re-
ceived by State's Attorney I. R. Mills, in-
forming him of the appointment of his
son, Walter H. Mills for examination as a
cadet at West Point, the famed military
school of the government. The examina-
tion is to take place in June and Walter
who will then be 18 years of age, will re-
port in person at the United States Mil-
itary academy. A lad at Pana a year ago
had been appointed, but he had failed to
pass the examination, and there being a
vacancy Congressman Connolly named
Walter Mills of Decatur, to fill the va-
cancy.

The appointment is a compliment alike
to Mr. Mills and Macon county, while to
Walter Mills it means a great deal in the
way of a thorough military education and
schooling in army tactics. Walter will
graduate from the Decatur high school in
June. He stands well in his studies and
is one of the brightest members of the
class. He will not fail in passing the ex-
amination, and as a cadet he will remain
in the West Point school for four years.
He will then receive a commission as lieuten-
ant with the pay of that rank if he
chooses to enter the service of the govern-
ment. If not he can resign and return
home. Walter is quite anxious to go to
West Point and will fit himself as nearly
as possible for the examination before the
time for his departure.

LEE HALL IS CHAIRMAN.

Organization of the Democratic City Cen-
tral Committee.

A meeting of the Democratic city cen-
tral committee was held last night at the
Review building. It organized for the
campaign by electing Lee S. Hall, chair-
man, and P. F. Carroll, secretary and
treasurer. The committee now stands as
follows

First Ward—P. F. Carroll.
Second Ward—J. W. Bradford.
Third Ward—S. S. Jack.
Fourth Ward—C. J. Hartley.
Fifth Ward—M. Cattle.
Sixth Ward—Leo S. Hall.
Seventh Ward—R. T. Williams.

NEW TOLL LINE.

The Citizens' Mutual Company will Have
a Telephone to Shelbyville—Will
be Started in Thirty Days.

Yesterday J. W. Hamer, the president
of the Shelby County Telephone company,
was here from Shelbyville to make ar-
rangements with the Citizens' Mutual
Telephone company for running a toll
line from this city to Shelbyville. It is
understood that the matter has been final-
ly settled and that the line will be in
working order in about thirty days. This
new toll line will not only make it possi-
ble for persons in this city to telephone to
Shelbyville but there will be connections
with most of the small towns between De-
catur and Shelbyville.

Married.

At his office by Judge Hammer April
7, W. A. Shultz of Argenta, and Miss
Mollie Trummell of Williamsburg.

At his office by Judge Hammer, April
7, Frank Wothers and Miss Ankie Wen-
gen, both of Moweaqua.

At the First M. E. church parsonage,
by Rev. D. F. Howe, April 7, Daniel Mc-
Cullom and Miss Isabell Bartlett, both of
Decatur.

At noon today Charles Kyle of Argenta
and Miss Luella Wilkinson were united
in marriage at the home of the bride's
parents at Bethany.

Cow Sale Postponed.
Owing to the great storm April 1 the
cow sale of the Lutz Bros. has been pos-
tponed to Monday, April 12. Note the
date.—2-dtf.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 8, 1897.

REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

City Election April 20, 1897.
Mayor—B. Z. TAYLOR.
Clerk—JOHN A. REEVE.
Attorney—JAMES M. LEE.
Treasurer—MONT PENNELL.
Aldermen—First Ward, R. J. WAGY.
Second Ward, F. M. YOUNG.
Third Ward, JAMES KEEFE.
Fourth Ward, ALBERT AMMAN.
Fifth Ward, J. W. KNOWLTON.
Sixth Ward, JOHN G. WATSON.
Seventh Ward, J. L. DRAKE.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, April 8.—Rain this afternoon
and tonight; partly cloudy Friday; brisk
northwest to north winds.

Harrison Elected, and How.

The Times-Herald: No citizen of Chi-
cago, who is possessed of the most ordi-
nary political discernment, can fail to be
profoundly impressed with the dimen-
sions of the popular protest against party
bossism which was registered in this city
yesterday.

The figures that tell the story of one of
the most remarkable municipal contests
in the history of Chicago are chiefly sig-
nificant in their revelation of the power
that is lodged in a fearless electorate when
aroused by the arrogance and audacity of
machine domination in municipal poli-
tics.

Having been repeatedly rebuked and
repudiated by their own party, the Lor-
mer-Hertz-Pease combine of spoils-jobbers
sought with brazen effrontery to establish
themselves in public favor by nominating for
mayor a man of colorless record, of fee-
ble ability and marked attainments. His
record as a judge of the superior court
was above reproach. His private life was
beyond the reach of slander.

But the people would not be deceived.
Skulking behind the candidacy of the re-
putable judge was the unsavory trio of
gangsters. The judicial raiment became
smeared with the blackness of machine fac-
tices. As election day drew near the up-
right judge, in the desperation of impend-
ing defeat, allowed the gang to use his
good name to solicit questionable legisla-
tion at Springfield to influence votes in
his behalf.

Foreseeing that their nominee was
doomed to defeat through the marvelous
independent movement led by the daunt-
less Harrison, the gang betrayed Sears in a
foul and shameful manner. Dazed by
the tremendous uprising of the people,
the machine stooped to treachery unspeak-
able and threw its support to Harrison,
leaving Sears to shift for himself.

Despite the triumph of one machine at
the expense of the other's candidate, the
battle will go down in our municipal annals
as the greatest Waterloo ever met by
bossism and gangsters in the history of
Chicago politics. The 6th of April, 1897,
will be more remarkable for Harrison's
great race with the allied machines
against him than for Harrison's victory.

Views on the Battle.

The Chicago Tribune: Undoubtedly a
large number of Republicans voted for
Mr. Harrison. They were disgusted with
the wrangling and the washing of dirty
linen within their own party. They made
up their minds that Judge Sears could
not be elected and that this would be an
excellent opportunity to express emphat-
ically their disgust with the present meth-
ods of party organization and the expo-
nents of those methods.

Since Mr. Harrison owes his election to
votes drawn from both parties and since
his plurality is so great, he has every en-
couragement to give the people a good ad-
ministration. He can feel that he will
have the people behind him as long as he
does well, and that he can afford to rise
to a certain extent superior to party.

He need not feel that he is dependent
on the support of any particular element
of the Democracy. He is under no obli-
gation to subject himself to the personal
influence of any member of his party, or
to feel that he is indebted to one man more
than another for his election.

As the Tribune said yesterday, he is
calm, even tempered, and a fairly good
judge of human nature. He is able to
pick out good heads of departments, and
see that they do their duty. The Tribune
believes he is disposed to do that, and will
adhere to that belief until Mr. Harrison
turns evidence to the contrary.

As for Mr. Harrison, he ran against the
Republican organization and defeated it.
He does not seem to have run against the
Democratic machine except as the wild
buffalo used to run against the locomotive.
He and his friends may get comfort out
of the fact that the Republican party
of Chicago is split in two in the middle.
They may be consoled for their failure to
make any impression on the Democratic
machine by the fact that Judge Sears got
a smaller number of votes than Mr. Har-
rison. But Judge Sears' friends could not

be any happier had the figures as between
him and Harrison been reversed. For he
who receives the larger number of votes
cast by the members of a divided and de-
feated party scores a barren victory.

Mr. Harrison set out professedly to smash
both party organizations. He has suc-
ceeded in disrupting one, but he has suc-
ceeded at the same time in establishing
the Democratic organization in this city
on a firmer basis than for many years.

It may be that Harrison has done his
work so thoroughly as to give that Demo-
cratic organization an indefinite lease of
power. Not since the days of the elder
Harrison has the Democratic "machine"
been given such a boost as Harrison has
given it. This reflection may temper his
rejoicings over the fact that his vote ex-
ceeds that of Judge Sears. He and his
supporters are entitled to all the conso-
lation they can get from a calm survey of
the figures this morning. They have
beaten and humiliated the Republican
party and insured Democratic ascendancy
for some time to come. If this is
what they set out to do they should re-
joice and be exceeding glad, otherwise,
not. For the Prodigal Son, after a long
diet of husks, has returned to the Demo-
cratic household of faith and he is again
making merry with his friends.

The Tuesday Vote.

Only about 3800 votes were cast by the
voters in Decatur township at the recent
election, as against 6188 in November or
a little over 60 per cent. The Democratic
vote in November was 3517 and Tuesday
vote was only 1336 or only 53 per cent of
what the Democratic vote was in Novem-
ber. The Republican vote in November
was 2685 and on Tuesday it was only 2404
or only 68 per cent of what it was in No-
vember. This means that 2448 voters
failed to vote at the recent township elec-
tion. This is not very creditable to a
republican form of government. The
basis of this form of government is the
right of every qualified person to express
his choice at the polls. Hundreds of
thousands of men have given their lives
in war to establish this principle in gov-
ernment and to be forced to witness the
fact that so many men prize this dearly
bought privilege so lightly is discourag-
ing to say the least.

William J. Bryan continues to revel in
the tactics of the demagogue. He recent-
ly said he did not know how the Republi-
can politics would impress the country
but so far Republican success has been a
disappointment. The Republican party
has been in power less than five weeks
and has not had time to frame any fea-
ture of its policies into law and how could
its policies prove a disappointment thus far?
The success of the party at the polls
restored the confidence of the country in
its currency, being an assurance that ev-
ery dollar in circulation would continue
to be as good as every other dollar. No
law was necessary to do that. It was only
necessary to defeat the party that threat-
ened to debase the country's currency.
But no good healthy revival of business
can come until the unfriendly Wilson bill
is repealed and supplanted by a tariff bill
in the interests of American business.
That legislation will be accomplished in
due time.

The younger Carter Harrison seems to
have inherited the good fortune of his
father as a candidate. The father was
several times elected through division
among the opposition and was once elected
through a division in his own party.

Webster is a municipal reformer, so he
says, but who believes that, had he been a
voter in Chicago he would have voted for
Harrison and not for Harrison.

The senate finance committee shows a
commendable disposition to push the tar-
iff bill along as rapidly as it can and get
it before the senate.

We have now placed on sale the follow-
ing makes of ladies' shoes, viz.: Grover's,
Gardner & Estes Co., Cousins & Laird,
Schober & Mitchell, heretofore sold at \$5
now offered at \$1.75; sizes from 9 1/4 to
5 1/2; width A, B, C. Bargains without
end. H. W. Waggoner & Co.—8d-1w

Busted.

More than 150 fire insurance companies
discontinued business during 1896. A
few reinsurance but most of them are ut-
terly bankrupt and their policies are
worth no more than so much waste paper.
We are convinced many such policies are
held in this city and the holders are ig-
norant that the policies are absolutely
worthless. We have just received the
latest report of Mr. Durfee, the Insurance
Superintendent of Illinois, showing the
standing of all the companies authorized
to do business in this state, and we be-
lieve it advisable for every policy holder
of any company to bring same to our office
and learn the standing of the company
issuing the same. We will gladly furnish
the information without charge. Please
note that all companies represented by us
are reported in excellent condition—we
never represent any others.
No. 124 North Water street.
2-d1w Kury, Johns & Strohm.

PARKE & SON
SEWER PIPE
TILE
DECATUR ILL.

CEMENT, LIME, COAL.

COUNTY COURT.

Petitions Filed in the Case of the Camer
Estate—Creditors of Kichinger
Ask to File Their Claims.

In the county court today there was
filed a petition signed by a large number
of the creditors of Lewis B. Camer asking
that John A. Dawson, the assignee, be re-
moved and that some discreet and unin-
terested person be appointed to the place.
The petition stated as a cause for the re-
moval of the assignee is that he is a son-
in-law of Mr. Camer, that Camer had
transferred to Mrs. Dawson land which
Mr. Dawson had not made any effort to
recover, and that some claims had been
paid in full. Several causes are named
and the petitioners pray that on account
of the relations of the assignee to the as-
signor and the creditors he be removed.

The signatures on the petition repre-
sent about eighty-five creditors. Cobe
and McKinney of Chicago, represent fifty
of these amounting to about \$13,000.
The American Trust and Savings bank
of Chicago is the largest creditor their
claim being \$14,305.66. The other claims
range all the way from small amounts up
to several thousand dollars.

The Kichinger Case.

This afternoon attorneys representing
creditors of the Michael Kichinger estate
argued to be allowed to file their claims
which had not been previously filed dur-
ing the thirty days required by law. At-
torney I. R. Mills, Attorney W. E. Red-
man, Attorney Park and Attorney Web-
ber represented the different creditors.

New Easter Shoes.

In endless variety at Powers' shoe store.
—8-d&1w

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

Entries on the Dockets—Dull Day for the
Judge.

There was very little business of impor-
tance in the circuit court today. A ses-
sion was held this morning and an ad-
journment was taken until afternoon.
The motions entered were as follows:

Chancery Docket.

George S. Lyons et al vs Frank P. Rod-
dy et al, bill to enforce lien; master's re-
port approved.

Phillip H. Decker vs Thomas A. Dun-
gan et al; petition for mechanics' lien;
suit dismissed at cost of complainant.

Phillip H. Decker vs Thomas A. Dun-
gan et al; petition for mechanics' lien.

Edward J. Rivard vs Audley D. Risley
et al, foreclosure; demur to amended bill;
demur overruled and rule on defendant to
answer by next Saturday morning.

John B. Maus vs James A. Patterson
et al, chancery; referred to master for
proof, etc.

Blue point and Rockaway shell oysters
till May 1st. Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.—
2-d&1w

Bread, Bread.

You can buy your bread for less
money than the flour will cost you; pro-
vided you get full sixteen ounces per
loaf, which you will when you buy the
Decatur Cracker Co.'s Blue Label
bread. For sale at all grocery stores.
One loaf for 4 cents; three loaves for 10
cents; six loaves for 20 cents; eight
loaves for 25 cents. 7-d&1w

Boys' Oxford and tan high shoes, any
size, \$1.27 a pair, reduced from \$3; new
coin toes at Powers' shoe store.—8-d&1w

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds
of Ian Culp, the old reliable seedman
fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed
in bulk. No. 233 North Main street.
Durfee & Culp.—1-d&1w

Children's Tan

Shoes, 8 to 10 1/2, 95c a pair, in vic kid
button at Powers' shoe store.—8-d&1w

"CLOUD" GOWNS.

Stuffs, Ribbons and Laces Have
Given Them That Name.

The new gowns for early spring are
called cloud gowns. This word "cloud"
is a general term, and applies quite as
well to the new goods, laces, ribbons,
parasols, gloves, veils and even hand
kerchiefs, as to frocks. For some time
past the lighter materials for wear, as
far as it was possible, have been in the
chime. Dresden, Mikado, Punjab, Man-
darin, plumetis, checked, hair-lined,
plaided and dotted designs. This was a
relief from the plain colors, and also
from the conventional effects.

The splash, dash, shadow, beam, glint,
dazzle and delicacy of the chime and
Dresden silks have made them almost
the most attractive materials ever put
upon the market. Last year it seemed
as though they could not be improved
upon, but this year the designs have
grown even more delicate and dainty.
They are masses of color, streaks of
hues, and just the faintest intimations
of lines, flowers, leaves and moons, in
fact they have developed into clouded
designs entirely.

The organdies, dimities, batistes, In-
dia and China silks, taffetas, French
ginghams, Swiss mulls, satinets and
crepe cloths are now being manufac-
tured in the most fascinating patterns.
Changeable silks will be very popular,
as poplins, watered silks and brocaded
silks.

In one new line of fancy sarahs, the
patterns applied or woven in are the
wings of different birds. These wings
and feathers, plumes and heads, which
have been ornamenting the spring and
winter hats, are beautifully copied and
are embroidered or woven into the silk
surfaces with such skill as to almost
equal in color and shape the originals
—N. Y. Mail and Express.

J. M. Hughes & Co. at Durfee &
Bros.' old stand have a choice stock
of fresh garden and flower seeds.
Give them a call. feb23-d&1w

Standard silver is made from silver
and copper.

SPARROW WHIPS BANTAM.

Regular War Dance Indulged In by the
Baldness Midget.

The sparrow, in whatever part of the
world he is found, seems to earn a rep-
utation for a degree of persistency and
pugnacity altogether disproportionate to
his size. Even the climate of India
does not enervate the valorous little
creatures and they make their way,
or take it, with the same resolute im-
pudence that they exhibit in colder
regions. In the Journal of the Bombay
National History society Lieut. Barnes
gives some interesting particulars about
the house sparrows of western
India. At Deesa he found that a pair
had built their nest between a pair of
antennae on the veranda, and another
pair appropriated a soap box in the
bathroom, where, although their nest
was destroyed several times, they per-
sisted in building until, out of compas-
sion for their repeated labors, they were
left alone. A third pair built in an
empty cage hanging against a wall and
there reared their little ones, although
the cage was frequently taken down to
exhibit the family to visitors. Once
their eggs were stolen and their in-
dignant clamor was so disturbing that
the residents of the house, for their
own sakes, were obliged to hunt up
and restore the missing treasures.
Lieut. Barnes also states that these
sparrows will attack their own image
in a looking glass and will fight with
it all day, only leaving off when dark-
ness sets in, to begin the battle over
again next morning, so that it was
often found necessary to protect the
mirrors with coverings. They are, per-
haps, not more brave than the fiery
little British American residents of
this country, one of which not long
ago disputed with a bantam cock the
possession of a particularly delectable
tid-bit. The bravado of the sparrow
so astonished the bantam that he re-
treated in dismay, casting glances of
affright over his shoulder, so to speak,
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posed of the delicacy, was indulging in
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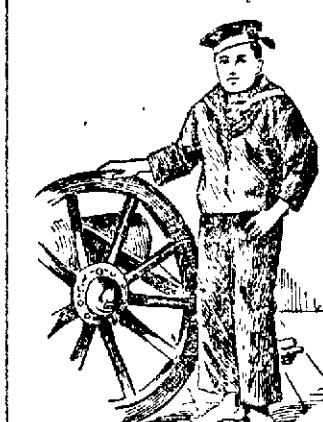
Wherever the British flag floats—and
it floats pretty nearly everywhere that
the wind blows—men take off their hats
in approbation of the British tar. Even
the Yankee whogave Johnny Bull such a
lot of thrashing in the war of 1812, and
can do it over again, does not demur too
loudly at the tuncful proposition that
"Britannia rules the wave."

And in Britannia's journey round the
world, wherever she has gone grabbing
territory and pocketing good, hard dol-
lars, there the British sailor has been at
the fore, taking hard knocks, with only
the thoroughly Saxon determination to
give them back again with compound
interest. When the game has been
against him, when the enemy has been
too fierce or too frequent, or a flying
missile has battered the English
sailor's hull so that he was unfit for
service, and perhaps had only a brief
residue of life left in him, it has been
discovered and set down in history that
he died as he had lived—game and a
glutton for fight. He has invariably
had the English Jack flying when the
waters of eternity closed over him.

He has lived for centuries in the full
belief and consistent practice of that
doctrine so recently and well enun-
ciated by Fessenden, of Connecticut:
"God Almighty hates a quitter."

But of all the British sailor-men who
in all ages and in all climes have
brought glory and renown to England,
there has never been one with more un-
adulterated British sand than little
Horace Comer. Horace Comer is not an
admiral. He is not even an ensign or a
midshipmite. He is only a first-class
apprentice, and a mere speck of one at
that; but he has the stuff in him which
England will need some day upon her
quarter decks, when the Russian boat
takes to following the salt water in
search of conquests. There was a lad
like him in the French navy once be-
fore. His name was Nelson. The
French knew him, and there is a monu-
ment in Trafalgar square now to his
memory.

The story of Horace Comer might be
headed: "Casabianca Up to Date."



THE NEW BRITISH CASABIANCA.

The lad who so many years took up his
stand

— "on the burning deck,
Whence all but him had fled,"

and who is still standing there, a model
of fidelity and courage to the youth of
all time to come, had no whit the bet-
ter of little Horace Comer. He, too,
saw the flames rushing from the ship's
hatches and licking the tarred rigging
with greedy tongues, and the great
English heart in him rose in the face
of the forlornest hope the seaman ever
knows. Little as he is, he was master
of the situation, and not a captain in
all the service ever did more yeoman
duty than he did. He saved a goodly
ship for England. Horace Comer, age
14, learned the rudiments of seaman-
ship on board the famous Exmouth
training ship, and when he had learned
under the marine masters there some-
thing of how to hand, reef and steer,
and ship a salvage, he was shipped on
board the Marino, a steamer of 6,000
tons. He went a couple of voyages in
her, attended to his business, and gave
evidence of being a good sample of the
thorough-going English boy. On her
latest voyage, bound for Yokohama, the
Marino took fire at sea during a
storm. The crew battled stubbornly
with the flames, but it looked a losing
fight. They had the boats all ready to
cast off, when little Comer jumped into
the shrouds and shouted: "I won't go!
I've shipped on board this ship, and
where she goes, I'll go with her. What's
the use of takin' on men? If we've got
to die, let's die like men, and like Eng-
lishmen!"

The British tars heard him, and
stopped and began to fight the fire
again. They fought it so well, with the
lad's taunt ringing in their ears, that
they brought the vessel safe into the
Azores.

Little Comer's foot was badly burned
—so badly that he implored the ship's
surgeon to cut it off. "They'll give me
a wooden one, I know," he said. But
the foot was saved to occupy, maybe,
some day an admiral's shoe.—N. Y.
Journal.

Dentistry Among the Kafirs.

The most barbarous method of denti-
stry is that practiced by the Kafirs. The
Kafir dentist places his patients on the
ground, and four men hold him down.
Then the operator kneels beside him,
and with a piece of sharpened wood,
ivory or steel, digs away at the gum
until the tooth is loose enough to be
pulled out with the thumb and finger.
The time occupied is sometimes 30 min-
utes, and we can imagine that a
Kafir must have a terrible toothache
before he goes to a dentist for relief.

The Greater of Two Evils.

A boy was asked which was the
greater evil, hurting another's feelings or
his finger. "The feelings," he said.
"Right, my dear child," said the grati-
fied questioner. "But why is it worse
to hurt the feelings?" "Because you
can't tie a rag around them!"—N. Y.
Tribune.



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HUMOROUS.

—"My tailor has promised to have my
clothes done to-morrow." "Do you
think he'll give them to you on time?"
"Oh, no; I'll have to pay cash."—Yonk-
ers Statesman.

—"Not Half Bad."—Johnnie's Teacher
—"And now, Johnnie, tell me what the
last commandment is." Johnnie (a
street car tourist):—"Please don't
spit on the floor."—Cleveland Plain
Dealer.

—"Visitor"—"I am grieved to learn of
your mistress' illness. Nothing serious
—no great cause for alarm, I trust?"
The New French Maid—"No, monsieur,
nozing beeg, nozing grande. Some-
thing—what you call leetle, petite.
What zey call ze leetle—small—small-
pox."—Tit-Bits.

—"Old Shilark says he is the man
who started you on the road to fortune."
"The old villain tells the truth. All I had
when I was a young man was a 50-acre
farm and he cheated me out of that.
Then I had to come to town to get some-
thing to do and got into business and
got rich."—Indianapolis Journal.

—"A Patron of the Divorce Courts."
—"Did I understand you to say that you
are unmarried, madam?" asked the law-
yer who was cross-examining a Chicago
woman. "I do not know what you un-
derstood me to say," replied the wit-
ness; "but that is what I said. I have
been unmarried four times."—Pitts-
burgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

—"Young Writer (to editor of Monthly
Review)"—"If you think my article so
good, why don't you let me put my name
to it?" Editor—"Because nobody would
read it if I did." Young Writer—"But
you had an article by the duke of Ditch-
water in your last number, and you put
his name to it." Editor—"Exactly; but
nobody would have read it if I hadn't."
—Pick-Me-Up.

—"An English lady, on a visit to Scot-
land, attended public worship in a parish
church at no great distance from
Crathie. In the same pew were about
a dozen persons—farmers, their wives,
and herdsmen. Shortly before the be-
ginning of the sermon, a large snuff
till was passed to the occupants of the
pew. Upon the lady visitor declining to
take a pinch, an old man, who was
evidently a shepherd, whispered, in a
very significant manner: "Tak' the
sneeshin', mem; tak' the sneeshin'. Ye
dinna ken our meenister; ye'll need it
 afore he's done!"—Tit-Bits.

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loon. Suddenly we realize we are in
bright sunshine again. With fleecy
white clouds below us and a deep blue
sky above. Look at the shadow of the
balloon on the clouds! See the light
prismatic colors like a halo around the
shadow of the car. Here we are all
alone, in perfect silence, in the depths
of a great abyss—massive clouds tow-
ering up on all sides, a snowy white
mass below. But no sign of earth—no
sign of anything human. Not a sound,
not a sign of life! What peace! What
bliss! Horrors! What's that report?
The balloon must have burst. Oh, non-
sense! Keep still! It's only a fold of
the stuff nipped by the netting being
suddenly released; that's all.

Well, we are falling, for, see the bits
of paper apparently ascending. And
we must take care, for the coldness and
dampness of this cloud will cause the
gus to contract and we shall fall rapidly.
So get a bag of ballast ready, for we are
already in the darkness of the cloud.
Now the gas bag shrinks and writhes,
and the loose folds rustle together, and
it gets darker. You can feel the breeze
blowing upward against your face or
hand held over the edge of the car.
Well, that's not to be wondered at, for
remember we are falling, say 1,000
feet a minute, which is the same thing
as if we were going along ten miles
an hour sitting in a dogcart. Not quite
the same, you say—you'd sooner be in
the cart? Well, perhaps if the horse
were going straight at a wall, without
the possibility of being able to stop him,
you would think otherwise. But look!
There is the earth again; so out with
your ballast. Go on! Pour out plenty;
there's no good economizing.—Black-
wood's Magazine.

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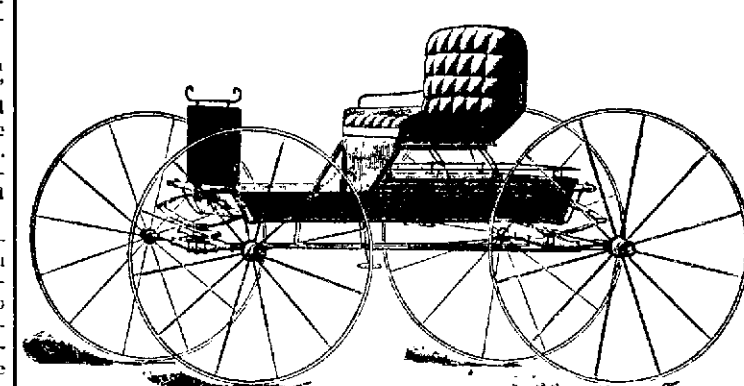
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Annual Encampment, G. A. R., Department
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will sell special excursion tickets at the rate of
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ing dates will be May 2d, 4th and 6th, and
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Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Isabel Fulton, Deceased.
The undersigned having been appointed ad-
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of the county of Mason and state of Illinois,
deceased, hereby gives notice that she will ap-
pear before the county court of Mason county,
New York returning up to and including May 1.
at which time all persons having claims against
said estate are notified and requested to attend
for the purpose of having the same adjusted.
All persons indebted to said estate are re-
quested to make immediate payment to the un-
dersigned.
Dated this 2nd day of April, 1897.
LAURA F. CORLEY, Administratrix.
April 7-dw

PRETTY EXPERIMENTS.

Some Curious Illusions of the Senses in
Men and Animals.

Among the many curious optical il-
lusions produced by contrasting lines
and forms some of a very astonishing
character occur for which no satisfac-
tory explanation has been furnished.
If a card perforated by a pinhole be
placed close to the face resting against
the nose, as shown in the illustration,
and a pin be held by its point in such a
way that its head comes between the
eye and the pinhole in the card, the pin
being held quite close to the eye, the
pin, strange to say, will appear on the
other side of the pinhole, reversed and
magnified. You see the pin, in fact,

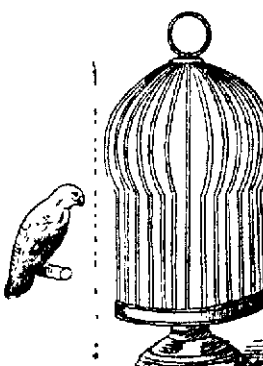


A PIN TRICK.

not as you hold it in your hand, but
through the perforation on the other
side of the card. It will be found nec-
essary, unless you have exceptionally
fine nerves, to rest the hand holding the
pin against the cheekbone, for the dif-
ficulty is to get the pinhead directly be-
tween your eye and the perforation in
the card and to hold it there without
wavering. I must confess inability to
satisfactorily explain this illusion, nor
have I met with any explanation that
seemed to meet the case fully and at
every point. If a small perforation be
made in a tumbler such as, indeed, often
occurs from long and constant use of
that indispensable household article,
everything seen through it, the letters
on this column, for example, if the
tumbler is slowly moved over it, will ap-
pear greatly magnified.

A very curious optical illusion may be
made to occur with the help of the ac-
companying illustration. Let a white
card about the size of an ordinary busi-
ness card, or smaller, according to the
focus of the person's eyes who tries the
experiment, be placed along the dotted
line between the bird and the cage, on
its edge likewise. It must be turned to
the light so that the card throws no
shadow. Let the middle of the end of
the nose be placed on the upper edge of
the card, and after a few moments
steadily looking the bird will be seen to
enter the cage.

Place a pea between the first and sec-
ond fingers of the right hand in their
natural position and you will feel the
pea as one. Cross two fingers, bring-
ing the second over the first, and place
the pea in the fork between them so as
to feel the left side of the pea with the
right side of the second finger and the
right with the left of the first. The im-
pression will then be that you have
two peas touching the fingers, especial-
ly if the eyes are shut and the fingers
placed in position by another person.
The illusion will be equally strong if
the two forefingers of both hands are
crossed, and the pea placed between
them. If a chicken in a sitting position
on a table be gently pressed with one
hand upon the supporting surface, the
head and bill pressed down with the
other hand, the fowl will remain per-
fectly powerless in the position given
it for some time after all restraint has
been removed; or if a thread be sus-
pended over the comb of a chicken so
that the ends hang down over its eyes
the fowl will remain in a cataleptic con-
dition, and finally pass into somnolence
so deep that it will permit all possible
movements without giving any signs of
life; or if a pigeon be pressed gently
upon a table so that it cannot use its



THE BIRD AND THE CAGE.

wings, and a finger be placed before it,
eyes and moved back and forth, fol-
lowing the motion of the head, so that
the eyes must continually notice it, the
bird will soon become quiet, and will
not fly away when the hand is removed.
If a frog's forelegs are tied together and
the sides of the animal carefully stroked
with the finger, it will, when laid upon
its back, remain perfectly quiet, and
only regain its activity when the cord is
removed, while a frog that is free
cannot be made to lie upon its back.—
Chicago Inter Ocean.

Dog Was Very Much Surprised.
A large Newfoundland dog in Albany
had a surprise the other day. One of
the span wires of the trolley line fell
across a trolley wire and hung within
a foot of the ground. The dog watched
it swinging, and his curiosity getting
the better of him, came closer and
sniffed at it. He was a fortunate dog
that there was only a weak current on,
but it was strong enough to make him
turn several somersaults before he re-
gained his senses. When he did, he
gave one mournful look at the wire, and
then started for home with the speed
of an express train.

It Was Not His Fault.
Jack's mamma — There were three
slices of cake in the pantry, Jack, and
now there is only one. How does that
happen?
Jack — It was so dark in there,
mamma, that I didn't see the third one
— Chicago Record.

Spring Wraps.

The spring jacket has not evolved it-
self into any fixed special shape, for
there are wraps and wraps this season
— very short, medium, three-quarters,
and reaching the skirt hem in redingote
form — and they are made for every pos-
sible occasion, from a walk in a drench-
ing line storm to a walk up the church
aisle at a grand wedding; of all mat-
terials, from serge and flannel home-
spun to a white satin velvet or cloth
bolero lined with satin brocade. There
are also very elegant "dress" jackets
made of the palest shades of laces
cloth or light-weight Melton, lined with
satin of a matching or delicately con-
trasting tint, and trimmed either with
elaborate appliques in cut work or with
simple silk stitching and expensive but-
tons. These imported jackets cost quite
as much as an elaborately-decorated
velvet garment of the best quality. The
exhibit also contains oddly-fashioned
Russian coats, English walking styles
in severest tailor trim, and French crea-
tions, displaying many coquetties. The
varied spring shapes show collars, both
high and low, and are both single and
double-breasted. Conspicuous among
the new garments offered are Polish
coats of vivid red tailor cloth, showily
braided in black. — N. Y. Post.

The Polka Dot Again.
Red foulards, red dimities and red
lawn are liberally sprinkled through the
stock of summer materials, and the
large white polka dot on blue ground is
one of the newest patterns. — Chicago
Tribune

A Valuable Prescription.
Editor Morrison, of Worthington, Ind.,
Sun writes: "You have a valuable pre-
scription in Electric Bitters, and I can
cheerfully recommend it for constipation
and Sick Headache, and as a general sys-
tem tonic it has no equal." Mrs. Anna
Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chi-
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digest food, had a backache which never
left her and felt tired and weary, but six
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health and strength. Price 50 cents and
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The Bethany Baptist church of Peoria,
had a curious ceremony last Sunday at
the morning service. The money to pay
off a note of \$2500 having been raised, the
note was solemnly burned in the presence
of the congregation, which united in sing-
ing the doxology while the cremation took
place.

Croup and whooping cough are child-
hood's terrors; but like pneumonia,
bronchitis, and other throat and lung
troubles, can be quickly cured by using
One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner
& Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

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home place east of Clinton comprising fif-
teen acres, to Ab Miller for a house and
lot on South Monroe street, Clinton, and
other considerations.

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noyed the congregation last Sunday by
continually coughing will find instant
relief by using One Minute Cough Cure,
a speedy and harmless remedy for throat
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neon which on last Monday received over
6000 dozen eggs for shipment.

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Annie," like all other sensible persons,
will cleanse the liver and renovate the
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and stomach all the year round. A. J.
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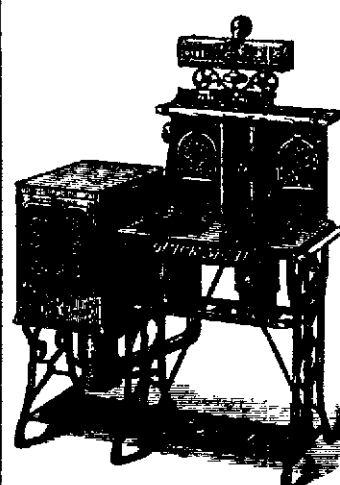
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and found in the back yard a very lively
alligator, something over two feet long,
with a vicious looking mouth that seemed
bigger than the animal itself. Mrs.
Neher did not like the looks of the reptile,
so called Mr. Neher and with a club he
slew the saurian. For a time it was a
mystery where the animal had come from,
but later it was found that it was one of
a bunch that John S. Kuns had brought
from Louisiana, and had been keeping in
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